

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF

The Board of Police and Fire Commissioners

OF THE CITY OF LANSING

Proceedings Jan. 15, 1953

January 15, 1953.

The Board met in regular session and was called to order by the President, Com. Drolett.

ROLL CALL

Present—Coms. Beekman, Dell, Drolett, Smith, Teachout—5.
Absent—Coms. Carrier, Hunter, Mahoney—3.

Coms. Carrier, Hunter, and Mahoney were excused from the meeting.

The minutes of the previous session were approved as printed.

COMMUNICATIONS

Letter from George A. Crabb, Jr., 806 Bretton Road, for courteous helpfulness given him by the Police Department, was received and placed on file.

Letter from Dwight H. Rich thanking Police Department for help rendered the Board on the recent election, was received and placed on file.

Letter to Chief Taylor from Chief R. W. Rogers of Midland on the very fine talk given by Detective Sergeant Clarissa Young at a meeting at the Union Building.

Received and placed on file.

Letter to Chief Taylor from Pierce, Planck and Ramsey relative to the Borseth Case and giving the date set for trial.

Received and placed on file.

Letter to Chief Decker from Dr. R. W. Pomeroy for the fine work being done by

the Fire Department since they have taken over the ambulance service.

Received and placed on file.

January 15, 1953.

Board of Police and Fire Commissioners
Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen:

This department has received a check for the amount of \$2,652.30 from the office of the Auditor General of the State of Michigan representing ninety per cent reimbursement for re-routing the fire alarm signal facilities on South Cedar Street during the bridge grade separation project. The remaining amount of \$294.70 will be received upon the completion of the auditing of the project.

This check will be deposited in the Fire Alarm Division maintenance fund from which the cost of labor and materials for this project were drawn.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES H. DECKER,
Chief.

By Com. Teachout—

That the check from the Auditor General of State of Michigan be deposited in the Fire Alarm Division maintenance fund.

Carried.

January 13, 1953.

Honorable Board of
Police and Fire Commissioners

Gentlemen:

A check from the Simon Iron & Metal Company in the amount of \$50.00 payable to the Police Relief Association, and one

from the Michigan National Bank for \$25.00, payable to the Police Benefit Association are attached.

If the Board approves the acceptance of the two checks I will turn them over to the Police Relief Association for deposit to their funds.

Respectfully submitted,

PAUL R. TAYLOR,
Chief of Police.

By Com. Smith—

That the checks be accepted and deposited to the Police Relief Association.

Carried.

January 13, 1953.

Honorable Board of
Police and Fire Commissioners

Gentlemen:

A check in the amount of \$227.79 is herewith attached, to cover damages to one of our Police cars, involved in a property damage accident.

Upon acceptance by the Board I will have the check deposited to the credit of the automobile maintenance fund.

Respectfully submitted,

PAUL R. TAYLOR,
Chief of Police.

By Com. Smith—

That the check be accepted and deposited to the automobile maintenance fund.

Carried.

January 15, 1953.

Board of Police and Fire Commissioners

Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen:

Arrangements have been completed for Marle S. Clark of the Mechanic's Division to attend the Harley Davidson Motorcycle School of Instruction at Milwaukee, Wisconsin, from February 2nd to 21st. Your approval has been granted for Mr. Clark to attend this school.

The approximate cost for attending this school will be two hundred dollars. Mr. Clark has been advised to keep an accurate account of all expenditures. I recommend that he be allowed this sum to attend the school on these dates.

Respectfully submitted,

IDUS BURGESS,
Master Mechanic.

By Com. Beekman—

That Marle S. Clark be allowed to attend the Harley Davidson Motorcycle School of Instruction and expenses to be paid from the Police Department Education Fund.

Carried.

January 15, 1953.

Board of Police and Fire Commissioners

Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen:

I wish to request your permission to allow Captain Robert Simmons and Assistant Instructor Arthur Foster to attend the Memphis Fire Department Instructors' Conference at Memphis, Tennessee February 24-27, 1953.

The cost for the round trip transportation is approximately \$25.00 per person. It will be necessary for these men to be gone from February 22 to March 1st.

We have a sufficient balance in the Education fund to cover the cost of these two men attending the conference.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES H. DECKER,
Chief.

By Com. Beekman—

That Capt. Robert Simmons and Asst. Instructor Arthur Foster attend the Memphis Fire Department Instructors' Conference at Memphis, Tennessee, with expenses paid.

Carried.

January 15, 1953.

Men and Discipline Committee

Board of Police and Fire Commissioners

Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen:

We wish to inform you of the excellent performance of duty under extenuating circumstances of Engineer Percy LaLonde during the fire at 712 Walker Street January 10, 1953.

This is the fire in which Mrs. Louise Wrzesinski was very seriously burned and later died from the burns she received at the fire. Engineer LaLonde entered the building under extremely hazardous conditions, carried Mrs. Wrzesinski to a window, and passed her through the window to Mr. Bugajsky and Mr. Csulik who were waiting outside the building.

Engineer LaLonde received first degree burns to his face, eyes and neck.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES H. DECKER,
Chief.

ERNEST O. KOPIETZ,
Assistant Chief.

By Committee on Men and Discipline—

That Engineer LaLonde be given a citation for "Action under fire."

Carried.

APPOINTMENTS, PROMOTIONS AND RESIGNATIONS

January 14, 1953.

Board of Police and Fire Commissioners

Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen:

We recommend that Fireman Arthur Foster be promoted to the rank of Lieutenant Instructor, at the same annual rate as that of a Lieutenant in the fire fighting division, effective January 18, 1953.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES H. DECKER,
Chief.

ERNEST O. KOPIETZ,
Assistant Chief.

By Com. Smith—

That Fireman Arthur Foster be promoted to rank of Lieutenant Instructor.

Carried.

January 15, 1953.

Board of Police and Fire Commissioners

Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen:

Attached are the resignations of Fireman Charles K. Pangborn and probationary fireman L. Gene Armstrong from the Lansing Fire Department.

Charles K. Pangborn was appointed to the fire department on May 16, 1950, and wishes to resign effective February 1, 1953.

L. Gene Armstrong was appointed to the fire department March 10, 1952, and wishes to resign effective January 11, 1953.

I recommend that these resignations be accepted.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES H. DECKER,
Chief.

By Com. Smith—

That the resignations of Fireman Charles K. Pangborn and L. Gene Armstrong be accepted.

Carried.

January 15, 1953.

Board of Police and Fire Commissioners

Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen:

Attached is the resignation of Albert J. Foster from the fire department, effective February 22, 1953, and a letter from Superintendent of Fire Alarms Cecil Heithorn stating that Mr. Foster has worked 82½ hours of extra duty that he has not as yet been able to receive back.

I recommend that Albert Foster be allowed to receive this accumulated time before his resignation is effective.

Respectfully yours,

CHARLES H. DECKER,
Chief.

By Com. Smith—

That the resignation of Albert J. Foster be accepted and he be paid for his accumulation of time that he has not been able to take off.

Carried.

January 13, 1953.

Honorable Board of
Police and Fire Commissioners

Gentlemen:

Captain Elton Roebuck of the Detective Division has submitted a recommendation for the promotion of Detective Sergeant Clarissa Young to the rank of Detective Lieutenant.

I recommend that Detective Sergeant Young be promoted to the rank of Detective Lieutenant.

Respectfully submitted,

PAUL R. TAYLOR,
Chief of Police.

By Com. Smith—

This be referred to Committee on Men and Discipline.

Carried.

January 13, 1953.

Honorable Board of
Police and Fire Commissioners

Gentlemen:

Attached is the resignation of patrolman
Duane Hellum.

Patrolman Hellum was appointed as a
member of the Police Department on May
27, 1951. I recommend that the resigna-
tion be accepted.

Respectfully submitted,

PAUL R. TAYLOR,
Chief of Police.

By Com. Smith—

That the resignation of patrolman Duane
Hellum be accepted.

Carried.

January 13, 1953.

Honorable Board of
Police and Fire Commissioners

Gentlemen:

Attached is the resignation of patrolman
James Carr.

Patrolman Carr was appointed as a
member of the Police Department on
November 16, 1945.

I recommend that the resignation be
accepted.

Respectfully submitted,

PAUL R. TAYLOR,
Chief of Police.

By Com. Smith—

That the resignation of patrolman James
Carr be accepted.

Carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

January 13, 1953.

Honorable Board of
Police and Fire Commissioners

Gentlemen:

Your Committee on Men and Discipline
recommends that Detective Sergeant Clar-
issa Young be promoted to the rank of
Detective Lieutenant, effective January 18,
1953.

Respectfully submitted,

L. J. SMITH,
MARVIN BEEKMAN,
Committee on Men & Discipline.

By Com. Smith—

That the report of the Committee be
adopted.

Carried.

January 10, 1953.

Board of Police and Fire Commissioners

Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen:

Your Men and Discipline Committee
interviewed the following applicants for
the fire department:

Larry J. Sutton

Gordon E. Adsit

Harry A. Kinney

Mack Hethorn

Eugene W. Leisure

We recommend that they be appointed
on probation to fire department, after pass-
ing satisfactory physical examinations,
effective their date of hire.

LEO J. SMITH,
MARVIN BEEKMAN,
Men & Discipline Committee.

By Com. Smith—

That the report of the Committee be
adopted.

Carried.

January 12, 1953.

Board of Police and Fire Commissioners

Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen:

Your Radio Committee conducted a meet-
ing regarding supervision in the Police
Communications Division.

We make the following recommendations:

That the duties of the Chief Dispatcher
and the Radio Engineer be performed by
the Radio Engineer.

That the wage rate of the Radio Engi-
neer be increased to correspond with the
rate of Superintendent of Fire Alarms
(\$5,157.10).

That Chief Dispatcher Stanley Steigman
be promoted to Radio Engineer.

That the salary of the Assistant Radio
Engineer be increased to the same rate
as Mechanic in the Police Garage
(\$4,545.04).

These recommendations to be effective
January 18, 1953.

CLAUD G. TEACHOUT,
LEO J. SMITH,
Radio Committee.

By Com. Teachout—

That the report of the Committee be
adopted.

Carried.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS

Asst. Chief Kopietz explained to the Board the opinion of the men in the Fire Department relative to a change in their uniforms. They would like to change from broadcloth they now have to a 12 oz. serge as worn by the top command.

By Com. Smith—

That permission be granted for the change under the recommendation of Chief Decker and to be over a three year period.

Carried.

The subject of purchasing a boat for the Fire Department was referred to the Committee on Automobile and Apparatus and Chief Decker to secure prices and report back.

GENERAL ORDER

The following claims against the Fire Department were presented and allowed by the following vote: Yeas 5, Nays 0.

Standard Oil Company	\$1113.20
Buhl Sons Company	1104.69
Motorola, Inc.	459.94
Michigan Bell Telephone Co.	453.84
Michigan Bell Telephone Co.	268.21
Don's Printing Service	165.00
Bright Star Battery Co.	116.42
Cameron's	111.36
Bd. of Water & Elec. Lt. Comm.	89.17
Paul Automotive, Inc.	68.61
Lansing Speedy Auto Wash	53.00
Paul Taylor, Petty Cash	52.69
The Stover Company	48.58
Francis Printing Service, Inc.	43.75
Tire Recappers of Lansing	40.04
Wonch Battery Company	38.25
L. L. Henry, M.D.	36.00
H. W. Harris, M.D.	30.00
Kenneth H. Smith	29.50
The Bike Shop	27.39
United Office Equipment Co.	26.19
Hager Cove Lumber Co.	25.67
Karl G. Jakovac	22.00
Morden Oil Company	21.89
Hor Del Distributing Co.	21.60
Benson's Hardware Co.	17.91
Michigan Brass & Electric	19.48
Roberts Tire Sales, Inc.	19.11
Emery Pratt Company	19.50
Plywood Sales Company	19.20
Detroit Ball Bearing Co.	18.46
Franklin DeKleine Co.	15.67
Western Union Company	15.30
C. C. Huggett, M.D.	15.00
Benson's Hardware Company	13.37

Star Machine Works	13.11
Grand Trunk Railroad	10.09
Railway Express Agency	6.90
Lansing Laundry	5.22
St. Lawrence Hospital	5.00
Edw. Sparrow Hospital	5.00
Central Towing Service	5.00
Douglas Trucking Lines	3.85
General Parts & Service, Inc.	3.76
England Cook Company	1.72

The following claims against the Police Department were presented and allowed by the following vote: Yeas 5, Nays 0.

Bd. of Water & Elec. Lt. Comm.	\$847.12
Michigan Bell Telephone Co.	267.01
Michigan Brass & Electric	144.36
Central Welding Supply Co.	125.02
Michigan Company, Inc.	119.10
Friedland Iron & Metal Co.	107.80
Barker-Fowler Electric Co.	90.63
The Bi-Lateral Fire Hose Co.	89.96
Mine Safety Appliances Co.	74.52
The Seagrave Corporation	67.22
Gregory, Mayer & Thom Co.	62.85
Lansing Laundry	61.67
Consumers Power Company	61.38
The Apothecary Shop	50.67
Michigan Supply Company	48.73
Whitmore Automotive	45.03
Swift & Company	41.16
Lansing Speedy Auto Wash	37.50
B & H Tailor Shop	32.25
Graybar Electric Co., Inc.	31.86
Capital City Body Works	31.00
L. L. Henry, M.D.	30.50
Quality Awning Shop	27.75
John Bean Division	23.06
General Electric Supply Co.	22.12
Leeland Steel & Iron Co.	21.50
Wonch Battery Co.	21.00
E & J Resuscitator Co.	16.24
South Chester Corporation	15.81
Paul Automotive, Inc.	14.08
Franklin DeKleine Company	12.51
Hack's Key Shop	12.50
Capitol City Wrecking Co.	10.23
Lansing Sash & Door Co.	9.60
Trevelyan Oldsmobile, Inc.	9.20
General Parts & Service, Inc.	7.59
Vandervoort Hardware Co.	6.88
Fred F. Johnson	6.70
Maurice Polack, Inc.	6.17
VanCore Pest Control Service	6.00
Charles H. Decker	5.62
Auto Glass Company	5.37
Field's Radiator Shop	5.26
Theodore I. Bauer, M.D.	5.00
Henry Ford Hospital	5.00
Home Dairy Company	4.38
Braden Manufacturing Co.	3.00
Lansing Supply Co.	2.74
Jarvis Engineering Works	2.65
Fisher Hamilton Wallpaper Co.	2.17
Lansing Camera Shop, Inc.	1.90
F. H. McClintock Co.	1.72

The Board adjourned.

THEO FULTON,
Deputy City Clerk.

January 15, 1953.

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF The Board of Police and Fire Commissioners OF THE CITY OF LANSING

Proceedings Feb. 10, 1953

February 10, 1953

The Board met in regular session and was called to order by the President, Com. Drolett.

ROLL CALL

Present—Coms. Beekman, Carrier, Dell, Drolett, Mahoney, Smith, Teachout—7.
Absent—Com. Hunter.

Com. Hunter was excused from the session.

Aldermen Bayles, Dean, Peck and Munyon were present.

Invocation was given by Monsignor Keating.

The minutes of the previous session were approved as printed.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from Mayor Crego relative to the proposed establishment of a central purchasing department, and asked for the Board's comments and appraisal of this matter.

Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means for study.

Fire Department received a letter from inspector Charles Straiger thanking those of the department for assistance in recovering the body of Sandra Haner who was drowned on January 15 in Grand River.

Received and placed on file.

The Police department received the following letters of thanks:

1. Mary Catherine Lehman for the assistance of Officer Tucker when she was in-

jured on a skating pond at corner of Boston Blvd and Cooper Street.

2. Chas. F. Rhodes, Coordinator of Law Enforcement Training Program of M.S.C. for the assistance of Lts. McCourt and Young who acted as instructors at the Basic Police Training Program completed January 30, 1953.

3. Edwin J. Weber of Wyandotte, Michigan for the efficient and courteous manner in which Officer Arthur Wojtysiak gave him a ticket for traffic violation.

Chief Taylor reported on an accident which involved Police car No. 13 which was received and placed on file.

Chief Taylor presented a check for \$87.27 from the State Automobile Mutual Insurance Agency which covered damages to a police car involved in an accident on December 5, 1952.

By Com. Smith:

That the check be accepted and placed to the credit of the Automobile and Maintenance Account.

Carried.

February 10, 1953.

Board of Police and Fire Commissioners
Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen:

Attached is a letter from Superintendent of Fire Alarms Cecil Hethorn requesting two weeks' leave of absence without pay for Edward Wheeler and Richard Elliott, members of the Fire Alarm Division.

These men have requested the leave of absence to attend training programs as required by the United States Naval Reserve.

I recommend that this request be granted, effective the date each man receives his orders.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES H. DECKER, Chief

By Com. Smith—

That Edward Wheeler and Richard Elliott be granted a two weeks leave of absence without pay.

Carried.

February 10, 1953.

Paul R. Taylor

Chief of Police

Sir:

I would like to obtain permission to make a trip to Detroit for the purpose of taking up some matters with the Superintendent or Supervisor of radio work for the Federal Communications Commission.

There are some matters pertinent to our Police system that I should like to clear up direct with them. I also would like to take assistant radio engineer McCormick with me on this trip.

Respectfully submitted,

STANLEY STEIGMAN,
Radio Engineer

By Com. Teachout—

That Radio Engineer Stanley Steigman and Assistant Engineer McCormick be granted permission to make the trip to Detroit with expenses paid.

Carried.

February 10, 1953.

Honorable Board of Police
and Fire Commissioners

Gentlemen:

A communication is attached from Captain George Warner, Traffic Division, pertaining to the salaries of two clerks in his department.

I wish to submit the communication to the Board for whatever action they see fit to take in the matter.

Respectfully submitted,

PAUL R. TAYLOR,
Chief of Police

By Com. Smith—

That Mrs. Prochnow and Mrs. Wheeler,

clerks in the traffic department, be given a step raise of \$114.00, effective as of March 6, 1953.

Carried.

February 10, 1953.

To: Chief Paul Taylor

From: Radio Engineer Steigman

Subject: Charges for maintenance of
"County Radio Units."

Dear Chief:

The fact that the Radio Division of the Lansing Police Dept. maintains the radio equipment of the Ingham County Sheriff Dept. and other associated two-way radio units I would like to recommend to the Board of Police and Fire Commissioners that a definite policy be established as to charges for this service.

I offer the following suggestions as a starting point.

1. On car installations I believe a Body Shop should do the upholstery work and the running of the antenna cable from the trunk to the middle of the top and make any necessary brackets required to mount the equipment in the trunk as a shop can do a better job with less time than we can.
2. The charges for removal of units from an old car and placing same in a new car was formerly \$30.00 plus \$3.00 for removal from the old car. I suggest that this be reduced to \$20.00 if the above work is done in a body shop.
3. On trip to Mason for maintenance I suggest a charge be made based on wages per hour plus cost for mileage per mile.
4. When cars are brought to our shop for service a labor charge to be based on wages per hour with a minimum of one hour.
5. Charge for replacement parts to be made at our cost.

Respectfully submitted,

STANLEY STEIGMAN
"Radio Engineer"

Referred to the Radio Committee who are to confer with Sheriff Barnes and report back to the Board at the next meeting.

February 10, 1953

Board of Police and Fire Commissioners
Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen:

Attached is a letter from Captain Earl

J. Miller notifying this department that he has made application to be retired on pension March 1, 1953.

Captain Miller was appointed to the fire department August 11, 1916; he was promoted to Engineer July 16, 1938; to Lieutenant December 15, 1943 and to Captain October 16, 1945. Captain Miller has been in charge of fire department training since August 17, 1946.

The officers and men of the Lansing Fire Department wish him many happy and healthy years ahead.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES H. DECKER, Chief

By Com. Carrier—

That the application for retirement of Captain Miller be accepted.

Carried.

February 10, 1953

Honorable Board of Police
and Fire Commissioners

Gentlemen:

Attached is the resignation of Patrolman William Cavanaugh.

Patrolman Cavanaugh was appointed on February 26, 1951. I recommend that the resignation be accepted.

Respectfully submitted,

PAUL R. TAYLOR,
Chief of Police

By Com. Carrier—

That the resignation of William Cavanaugh be accepted as of January 26, 1953.

Carried.

February 10, 1953.

Honorable Board of Police
and Fire Commissioners

Gentleman:

Attached is the resignation of Patrolman Robert Cade.

Patrolman Cade was appointed on May 13, 1951. I recommend that the resignation be accepted.

Respectfully submitted,

PAUL R. TAYLOR,
Chief of Police

By Com. Carrier—

That the resignation of Robert Cade be accepted as of January 20, 1953.

Carried.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS

Chief Decker reported on the drivers' training school and was pleased with the results of same.

Chief Taylor reported on the Training School which will start March 1st, 1953.

RESOLUTIONS

By Com. Smith—

That Chief Taylor be authorized to place orders for motorcycles and new automobiles and the money set aside for the payment of same from the 1952-1953 budget.

Carried.

By Com. Smith—

That Chief Taylor be authorized to order 160 badges, as per approved samples submitted, money to pay for same to be set aside from the 1952-1953 budget.

Carried.

The resolution introduced by the City Council at a meeting held on February 9, 1953 relative to placing all city employees under Civil Service was discussed.

GENERAL ORDER

The following claims against the Fire Department were presented and allowed by the following vote: Yeas 7, Nays 0.

Graybar Electric Co.	\$1963.52
Bd. of Water & Elec. Lt. Comm.	1138.46
McKay Coal Co.	628.86
Standard Oil Company	576.38
Morton Textiles, Inc.	283.00
Michigan Bell Telephone Co.	255.75
The Bi-Lateral Fire Hose Co.	168.36
United Office Equipment Co.	112.50
Addison Sponge Company	99.90
Paul Automotive, Inc.	93.09
Lansing Ldy. & Dry Cleaning	57.74
The Fuller Brush Co.	56.35
L. L. Henry, M.D.	53.00
Consumers Power Co.	50.15
Capitol City Wrecking Co.	43.97
John Bean Division	41.21
General Parts & Service, Inc.	31.20
Capital City Body Works	30.00
Wonch Battery Company	25.25
Irving E. Silverman	25.00
Schaberg-Dietrich Hdwe. Co.	18.87

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF The Board of Police and Fire Commissioners OF THE CITY OF LANSING

Proceedings April 14, 1953

April 14, 1953.

The Board met in regular session and was called to order by the President, Com. Drolett.

ROLL CALL

Present—Coms. Beekman, Carrier, Dell, Drolett, Hunter, Mahoney, Smith, Teachout—8.

Absent—None.

The minutes of the previous session were approved as printed.

COMMUNICATIONS

A card of appreciation was received from the family of Peter Coull, which was placed on file.

A letter received from Palmer-Bush Company relative to their new ambulance which was being put into service on this date.

Placed on file.

Mrs. H. E. Hersey of 913 W. Shiawassee thanked the Fire Department for the fine manner in which a fire was handled at their home.

Received and placed on file.

The Police Department received the following letters of commendation:

1. R. A. Mooney, Jr., complimented Officer Husby for his courteous consideration in an accident in which his wife was involved on March 31, 1953.
2. Mrs. Arthur Boettner of Wyandotte, Michigan, for the services of the department when in Lansing recently with The Camp Fire Girls.

3. Chas. G. Christopher of Chicago for the helpfulness of Pat Long, Officer No. 60, during a recent visit to the city.

Received and placed on file.

Communication received from the Lansing Chamber of Commerce asking the Board to authorize Chief Decker to attend the annual meeting of the Chamber of Commerce in Washington, D. C., on April 27-29, 1953.

By Com. Smith—

That the Board authorize Chief Decker to attend if he finds it possible.

Carried.

Inspector Charles Stragier reports on the In-Service Training School which the Police Department has been conducting the past four weeks and has been completed.

Received and placed on file.

Communications received from Pierce, Planck and Ramsey Re: Borseth vs City of Lansing

1. Letter addressed to Dr. Drolett with copy of brief.
2. Letter addressed to Chief Taylor, copy of letter to Judge Hayden attached (making answer to one point contained in the brief of Assistant Attorney General Moule's Reply Brief).

Received and placed on file.

Letter received from Manson & Carver, architects, relative to the proposed Fire and Police Stations.

Received and placed on file.

Communication received from John H. Arnold, Assistant Chief Engineer of the National Board of Fire Underwriters, regarding proposed fire station locations and recommended needs of the department.

Received and placed on file.

April 13, 1953.

Honorable Board of
Police and Fire Commissioners

Gentlemen:

Mrs. Frances C. Coull, widow of the late Detective Sergeant Peter Coull, has requested that a communication be directed to the Board on her behalf, asking for payment of salary for fifteen (15) days, in lieu of vacation due her husband for the year of 1953, which he had not taken prior to his sudden death.

The request is referred to the Board for whatever action they see fit to take in the matter.

Respectfully submitted,

PAUL R. TAYLOR,
Chief of Police.

By Com. Smith—

That the salary of Peter Coull be paid through the month in which he died.

Carried.

April 13, 1953.

Honorable Board of
Police and Fire Commissioners

Gentlemen:

I wish to report that all applicants selected by the Men & Discipline Committee have passed their physical examinations, and reported for school training this morning, with the exception of Kenneth Dillingham, who was rehired by the Committee, and reported for duty on April 1st.

Patrolman Joseph Robbins who was given a leave of absence for ten months, has now completed his college course at Michigan State College. He reported for duty on April 1st.

Respectfully submitted,

PAUL R. TAYLOR,
Chief of Police.

Received and placed on file.

April 14, 1953.

Board of Police and Fire Commissioners
Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen:

Attached are the resignations of Charles Smallenburger and Robert Evans from the Lansing Fire Department.

Charles Smallenburger was appointed to the fire department April 14, 1952, and his resignation is effective March 11, 1953.

Robert Evans was appointed to the fire department October 1, 1942, and his resignation is effective April 12, 1953.

I recommend that these resignations be accepted.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES H. DECKER,
Chief.

By Com. Carrier—

That the resignations of Charles Smallenburger and Robert Evans be accepted.

Carried.

April 14, 1953.

Board of Police and Fire Commissioners
Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen:

Attached is the resignation of Edward A. Wheeler, Jr., from the Alarm Division of the fire department, effective April 12, 1953.

Edward Wheeler was appointed to the Alarm Division of the fire department July 15, 1952.

I recommend that his resignation be accepted.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES H. DECKER,
Chief.

By Com. Carrier—

That the resignation of Edward A. Wheeler, Jr., be accepted.

Carried.

April 14, 1953.

Board of Police and Fire Commissioners
Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen:

Attached is a report signed by Assistant Chief Kopietz and Deputy Chiefs Peterson, Therrian and Harp regarding the work of probationary firemen John Dean, Donald

Fairchild, Elmer Weisenberg, Harrison Rees and Irving Radee.

Inasmuch as the report is favorable, and these men have passed physical examinations, I recommend that their appointments be confirmed.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES H. DECKER,
Chief.

By Com. Carrier—

That John Dean, Donald Fairchild, Elmer Weisenberg, Harrison Rees and Irving Radee be confirmed regular firemen.

Carried.

April 14, 1953.

Mr. Charles H. Decker, Chief
Lansing Fire Department
Lansing, Michigan

Dear Sir:

Regarding: Alarm systems at Reo Motors and Motor Wheel Corporation.

The fire alarm equipment in service at these two plants is in need of replacing, having been installed approximately thirty years ago. Equipment in use for such a length of time can not be depended upon to safely guard lives and property.

All of the fire alarm boxes in the plants are owned by the corporations, and are connected to our circuits. We test their boxes and circuits, and furnish current for their operation. This involves hours of our time that could be spent on our own system. We should not be held responsible for a privately-owned alarm system failure due to faulty equipment.

Connecting private boxes to our circuit adds to the number of boxes per circuit, and circuits are limited as to the number of boxes to be serviced. There are eleven master boxes at the Reo Motors and thirteen at the Motor Wheel Corporation that could be installed at street locations without adding additional circuits. If this division could be relieved of the duties of maintaining the fire alarm facilities in these two corporations, the following advantages would be gained:

The corporation would be responsible for the efficient operation of the alarm system in their plant.

The fire alarm division would not be responsible for re-setting boxes after an alarm; would not disconnect circuits while they were being worked on and re-setting them after work is completed; and would not have to test them and maintain them to keep them in working order.

We would have less boxes on a circuit, and street boxes would not be jeopardized due to faulty circuits on private property.

There would be less false alarms due to old alarm equipment.

A more efficient method of exact locations of fire is possible with the cooperation of the corporation and the fire department.

I have interviewed Plant Chief Novack at Reo Motors and Plant Engineer Charles Bellows at the Motor Wheel Corporation concerning management ownership and maintenance of their fire alarm systems. They request letters from this department explaining the existing conditions so the letters may be submitted to the proper authorities.

I suggest that these letters be written and these listed recommendations be included:

1. The corporation furnish their own power supply, main line and auxiliary circuits to their boxes.
2. All old and out-dated equipment be replaced. All auxiliary and master boxes be tested monthly, and reports submitted to the Alarm Division as required by the National Board of Fire Underwriters.
3. A recording device (tape register) be purchased and placed in service to receive their alarms by tape. These alarms would be transmitted to the fire department by a transmitter (purchased by the corporation) to be connected to the fire department alarm office. The Alarm Division would connect to the transmitter, which is the same as one alarm box.

Existing equipment at Reo Motors:

12 master boxes with 89 auxiliary boxes and approximately 5 miles of circuit wire.

Existing equipment at the Motor Wheel Corporation:

13 master boxes with 65 auxiliary boxes and approximately 5 miles of circuit wire.

Mr. Robert Young, Engineer of the National Board of Fire Underwriters, stated in his report on the alarm systems for the City of Lansing that the city circuits carry too many private alarm systems on private property.

Respectfully submitted,

CECIL G. HETHORN,
Supt., Fire Alarm Div.

By Com. Smith—

That letters be written by Chief Decker to the management of the two corporations advising them of the present situation of the Alarm System and have them contact the Superintendent of the Fire Alarm Division for his assistance in the correction.

Carried.

April 14, 1953.

Board of Police and Fire Commissioners
Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen:

Attached is a letter from Captain James Kilmer notifying this department that he has made application to be retired on pension effective April 19, 1953.

Captain Kilmer was appointed to the fire department September 1, 1920; promoted to Engineer June 12, 1931; promoted to Lieutenant February 15, 1941; promoted to Captain July 15, 1943.

The members of this department join with me in wishing Captain Kilmer many happy and healthy years in the future.

Respectfully submitted,
CHARLES H. DECKER,
Chief.

By Com. Carrier—

That the application of Captain James Kilmer for retirement be accepted.

Carried.

Mr. Paul Taylor, Chief
Lansing Police Department
Lansing, Michigan

March 16, 1953.

Dear Sir:

I have made application to the pension board to be retired on pension effective May 19, 1953.

Please extend my sincere thanks to the Board of Police and Fire Commissioners for all past favors granted me. It is with regret that I find this move necessary, due to illness in my family. I shall always remember the fine associations I have enjoyed with the members of the Police and Fire Departments.

Respectfully yours,
HUGO L. MATTSON.

By Com. Carrier—

That the application of Hugo L. Mattson for retirement be accepted.

Carried.

April 9, 1953
Board of Police and Fire Commissioners
Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen:

Your Men and Discipline Committee interviewed the following applicants for the fire department.

John J. Devlin
Jack W. Gaukel
Ward E. Patterson
Raymond F. Doyle

This committee also interviewed William H. Eisele and Howard L. Philo, applicants for the Fire Alarm Division of the fire department.

We recommend that they be appointed to the fire department after passing physical

examinations, effective their date of hire.

RENO G. CARRIER,
LEO J. SMITH,
CLAUDE I. HUNTER,
Men and Discipline Committee.

By Com. Carrier—

That the report of the Committee be adopted.

Carried.

April 13, 1953

Honorable Board of Police and
Fire Commissioners

Gentlemen:

Your Committee on Men and Discipline selected the following applicants for patrolmen for the police department:

Richard Holmes
Chester Stesney
Richard Fox
Ronald Floyd
Robert Spalding
William Cochran
Richard Cook
Richard Wilson
Kenneth Dillingham

These men will serve the customary probation periods. Their date of hire shall serve as their date of appointment.

Respectfully submitted,

RENO G. CARRIER,
CLAUDE I. HUNTER,
LEO J. SMITH,
Committee on Men and Discipline.

That the report of the Committee be adopted.

Carried.

April 13, 1953

Honorable Board of Police and
Fire Commissioners

Gentlemen:

Your Committee on Education and Training recommends that a member of the Police Department and Fire Department be authorized to attend the Seminar in Arson Detection and Investigation, to be held at Purdue University, Lafayette, Indiana, from April 27th to May 1st.

Respectfully submitted,
MARVIN BEEKMAN,
RINA M. DELL,
CLAUDE I. HUNTER,

Committee on Education and Training.

By Com. Beekman—

That the report of the Committee be adopted.

Carried.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS

Chief Taylor filed report of the finances of the Police Department for the month of March, 1953.

Chief Decker filed report of the finances and activities of the Fire Department for the month of March, 1953.

Assistant Chief Kopietz reported on a recent meeting of all command officers which was very beneficial to all.

GENERAL ORDER

The following claims against the Fire Department were presented and allowed by the following vote: Yeas 8, Nays 0.

Trévallyan Oldsmobile, Inc.	\$3295.05
The Gamewell Company	1699.13
The Standard Oil Company	1111.63
Board of Water & Electric Lt.	876.60
Michigan Supply Company	568.45
Sun Electric Corporation	534.80
Joseph M. Platte	462.00
Goodyear Service Stores	441.98
W. H. Nickel	431.85
Lansing Supply Company	330.69
General Parts & Service, Inc.	280.03
Michigan Bell Telephone Co.	254.65
Mich. Brass & Electric Co.	237.18
Mine Safety Appliances Co.	200.22
Cameron's	170.00
Snap-on Tools Corporation	119.45
Brett's Printing Service	104.55
Swift and Company	83.20
Schubel Auto Trim Shop	79.50
The Fuller Brush Company	76.13
Lansing Laundry	74.82
Homelite Corporation	64.09
Consumers Power Company	62.44
Graybar Electric Co., Inc.	58.27
L. L. Henry, M.D.	53.00
Addison Sponge Company	51.97
Paul Automotive, Inc.	51.44
McConnell Sheet Metal, Inc.	42.74
The Seagrave Corporation	42.25
Arthur A. Foster	39.50
Painters Supplies, Inc.	37.44
F. G. Cheney Limestone Co.	29.93
Charles H. Decker	28.30
John Bean Division	22.11
The Dudley Paper Company	20.95
St. Lawrence Hospital	20.50
Michigan School Service, Inc.	19.45
Jarvis Engineering Works	18.69
Central Welding Supply Co.	16.22
Vandervoort Hardware Co.	16.01
L. C. Abbott	15.85
Wedemeyer Electronic Supply Co.	12.30
The Silver Lead Paint Co.	11.03
A and M College Book Store	10.20
Robert M. Stow, M.D.	10.00
Fyr Fyter Sales & Service	10.00
Reo Motors, Inc.	8.98
Michigan Company, Inc.	8.91
Wolvertons	8.23
Quality Awning Shop	8.00
C. G. Braxmar Company	7.64
Maurice Polack, Inc.	6.17
VanCore Pest Control Service	6.00
F. H. McClintock Company	4.93
Capitol City Wrecking Co.	4.70
Schaberg-Dietrich Hdwe. Co.	4.21

Lyman Body Company	4.00
Consolidated Freight Company	3.30
Wagenvoort & Company	3.25
Dean & Harris of Lansing	3.16
Cummings Saw Shop	3.00
Michigan Sheet Metal Co.	2.96
Acme Glass Company	2.37
Mill Supplies Corporation	2.35
Blair Transit Company	2.27
Capitol Water Co.	2.00
Quarmby & Sons	2.00
Fisher Hamilton Wallpaper Co.	1.94
Franklin DeKleine Company	1.80

The following claims against the Police Department were presented and allowed by the following vote: Yeas 8, Nays 0.

The Bike Shop	\$7775.00
General Electric Company	940.00
Pierce, Planck & Ramsey	720.70
Michigan Bell Telephone Co.	700.00
Michigan Bell Telephone Co.	315.70
Cameron's	205.26
General Automotive Tool and Equipment Co.	167.30
Motorola, Inc.	164.85
Don's Printing Service	149.50
Underwood Corporation	130.00
Buhl Sons Company	125.15
L. L. Henry, M.D.	87.27
Goodyear Service Stores	80.44
The Stover Company	72.46
The Dudley Paper Co.	68.65
R. P. Lewis Company	65.64
Tire Recappers of Lansing	65.10
The Columbia Carbon Co.	48.33
Trevellian Oldsmobile, Inc.	48.03
Lansing Speedy Auto Wash	42.00
Board Water & Light Commrs.	40.14
United Exterminators	40.00
Paul Automotive, Inc.	39.41
Whitmore Automotive	36.38
American Red Cross	36.00
St. Lawrence Hospital	30.00
Wedemeyer Electronic Supply	29.92
Hager Cove Lumber Co.	25.56
General Parts & Service	25.20
Industrial Laundry	21.75
Ford and Company	20.00
Paul R. Taylor, Petty Cash	17.49
Schaberg-Dietrich Hdwe. Co.	16.71
Burroughs Adding Machine Co.	16.40
Emery-Pratt Company	15.20
Acme Glass Company	14.08
Standard Block & Supply Co.	11.87
Lansing Camera Shop, Inc.	6.15
City Treasurer	6.00
Gregory, Mayer & Thom	5.12
Sears-Roebuck & Co.	4.50
Western Union Company	4.50
Franklin DeKleine Co.	3.70
Lansing Laundry Co.	3.57
Wagenvoort & Company	3.25
Edward Sparrow Hospital	3.00
Mill Supplies Corporation	2.35
Young Bros. & Daley	2.20
Vandervoort Hardware Co.	1.38

The Board adjourned.

MILLIE M. BROWN,
City Clerk.

April 14, 1953.

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF The Board of Police and Fire Commissioners OF THE CITY OF LANSING

Proceedings April 23, 1953

April 23, 1953

1:30 P.M.

The Board of Police and Fire Commissioners met in special session and was called to order by the President, Com. Drolett.

ROLL CALL

Present—Coms. Beekman, Carrier, Dell, Drolett, Mahoney, Smith, Teachout—7.
Absent—Com. Hunter—1.

The following were present: Mayor Crego, Collins Thornton, Victor Leyrer, Chief Taylor, Chief Decker, Assistant Chief Kopietz, Aldermen Hayden and Peck.

COMMITTEE REPORT

April 23, 1953

Board of Police and Fire Commissioners

Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen:

This committee has been informed by Master Mechanic Idus Burgess that the International truck in service at No. 5 Fire Station, known as Squad No. 2, is in need of major repairs. This truck is six and one-half years old and the needed repairs would total \$1,425.00. The motor in this truck is 95 horsepower and has proved to be insufficient for fire department operation.

Squad No. 2 services the south section of the city, including the Everett district. Due to the lack of sufficient hydrants in the Everett district, it is necessary to carry a large supply of water to the fire. To eliminate the purchase of a tank wagon at a cost of \$6,000.00 to supplement the 450 gallon water tank on Squad No. 2, this committee recommends the purchase of a new Reo Squad high pressure truck from the John Bean Manufacturing Company with a 750 gallon water tank and a 160 horsepower motor.

The total price for a new John Bean high pressure fog truck with a Reo chassis is \$13,838.60. With a trade in allowance of \$5,000.00 for the 1946 International Truck (Squad No. 2) the net price would be \$8,838.60. The depreciation cost for a period of six years is \$214.25 per year on our present Squad No. 2.

The sum of \$7,500.00 has been transferred from the Police Department 1952-1953 budget to the Fire Department Apparatus Fund. This committee recommends that the new Reo Squad truck be purchased from the 1952-1953 Fire Department budget.

WILLIAM J. MAHONEY,
CLAUDE G. TEACHOUT,
LEO J. SMITH,
Apparatus Committee.

By Com. Mahoney—

That the report of the Committee be adopted.

Carried.

RESOLUTIONS

By the Committee on Property and Purchasing—

That the City owned lots in Block 19, Park Place Addition, City of Lansing, Michigan (Mt. Hope and Todd Avenues), which are held by the Board of Police and Fire Commissioners, be disposed of and the matter be referred to the City Council for action.

Carried.

By Com. Dell—

That new radios for the new Police cars be purchased from the balances in the 1952-1953 budget for the sum of \$3,891.60.

Carried.

By the Special Building Committee—

Inasmuch as the voters at the April 6, 1953, election approved of the City of Lansing issuing bonds in the sum of \$500,000 for the purpose of acquiring sites for constructing fire stations, it is the recommendation of this Board that the first project be the erection of a station, which should be built to accommodate three companies, and a training tower; and it is further recommended that this station be erected on Glendale Avenue to take care of the Everett District, now therefore, be it

Resolved, that the approval of the City Council and the City Plan Commission be secured, and be it further

Resolved, that the City Council be requested to arrange for the employment of an architect to draft plans for the proposed building on above property.

Carried.

By Com. Smith—

The electors of the City of Lansing having approved at the April 6, 1953 election the issuing of \$500,000 in bonds acquiring a site for and constructing a Police Building. The general plans are that this building should contain two municipal courts with adequate facilities for same. The Board has under consideration several sites for the proposed building, but before a site can be purchased the size of the building and plans for parking must be known, now therefore, be it

Resolved, that this Board request the City Council to employ an architect to draw plans for the proposed police station.

The meeting adjourned.

Carried.

ERNEST KOPIETZ,
Acting Secretary.

April 23, 1953.

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF The Board of Police and Fire Commissioners OF THE CITY OF LANSING

Proceedings May 12, 1953

May 12, 1953

The Board met in regular session and was called to order by the President, Com. Drolett.

The Board resumed its regular session.

The minutes of the previous session were approved as printed.

ROLL CALL

Present—Coms. Beekman, Carrier, Dell, Drolett, Hunter, Mahoney, Smith, Teachout—8.

Absent—None.

Aldermen Bayles, Brooks and Lavey were present.

The meeting of the Board adjourned Sine Die.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

By Com. Smith, seconded by Com. Carrier:

That Com. Drolett be nominated for the office of President.

There being no further nominations, a vote was taken and Com. Drolett was elected unanimously to the office of President of the Board.

By Com. Hunter, seconded by Com. Smith:

That Com. Carrier be nominated for the office of Vice-President.

There being no further nominations, a vote was taken and Com. Carrier was elected unanimously to the office of Vice-President of the Board.

By Com. Mahoney, seconded by Com. Smith:

That Com. Beekman be appointed a Trustee to the Policemen's and Firemen's Retirement System.

Carried.

COMMUNICATIONS

The following letters of commendations were received by the Police Department:

T. B. Huffman of Colorado Springs for the courtesy extended to him by Officer Pat Long.

Mrs. Floyd Kempf for the courtesy and helpfulness of Officers Bell and M. Spitzley when she fell at the corner of Ottawa and Capitol.

Harold E. Haun for the contribution Lieutenants Clarissa Young and Herbert McCourt made to the Ninth Basis Police Training Program at M.S.C.

Lloyd H. Bush for the cooperation of the department at the funeral of C. B. Dakin.

W. J. Mahoney, Director of Personnel at Oldsmobile, for the services of the department in connection with the C. B. Dakin funeral.

R. W. Rogers, Chief of Police at Midland, for the assistance of Captain Warner at their recent Traffic School.

E. B. Breithaupt, Secretary of the Industrial Executives Club, for the assistance of the department in directing traffic on adjournment of their monthly meetings at Reo Club.

All communications were received and placed on file.

A card of appreciation was received from Mrs. Elsie Decker, which was received and placed on file.

The Fire Department received a letter of appreciation from Mrs. James Mikrut

for the services of the inhalator crew at the death of her husband.

Received and placed on file.

Communication from the City Clerk with a copy of a resolution which was adopted by the City Council on May 4, 1953, engaging Laitala and Nuechterlein, Architects, to draft plans for the proposed Fire Station and Tower on the Glendale Avenue site.

Received and placed on file.

Letter of appreciation from Detective Lieutenant Sidney Hildebrandt for being allowed to attend the Arson Seminar at Purdue University was received and placed on file.

Chief Taylor reported an accident which involved car No. 36. This was received and placed on file.

May 9, 1953

Board of Police and Fire Commissioners,
City Hall,
Lansing, Michigan
Gentlemen:

Judge Hayden has filed an opinion wherein he holds that James Borseth should be reinstated with back pay, less the earnings he has been able to make elsewhere and less the amount he withdrew from the retirement fund.

1. The statute does not require reinstatement unless the man is "qualified" for the job. Chief Taylor's testimony at the hearing showed quite definitely that Borseth is not qualified as a policeman for several important reasons. His testimony in this respect was uncontraverted. The opinion holds that refusal to reinstate "was based on the policy of the Board, rather than any lack of qualification." This seems to require that the Board should take Borseth back whether or not he is qualified and is contrary to the plain intent of the statute.

2. The opinion holds that the informality of Borseth's query as to vacancies "is not material and does not matter." This would mean that any casual inquiry by a returned serviceman, if it were not handled promptly as a proper application for reinstatement and granted, would subject the Board months later to a suit for back pay.

3. The opinion recites, "I am of the opinion that the record leaves no other conclusion then that the reinstatement of Borseth was denied, not because it was not

'feasible,' a word over which much discussion occurred, but because it was contrary to the policy of the Police Board and if my conclusion is justified, it cannot be denied that the policy of the Board must yield to the policy of the statute. To construe the word 'feasible,' or give it the effect for which respondents contend would make it synonymous with the Board's policy and would render the statute completely ineffective."

The opinion further states, "I am unable to convince myself that the refusal was well founded, that there was sufficient foundation for the same, having in mind the purview and intent of the statute. I am impressed that it was based on the policy of the Board, rather than upon any lack of qualification or upon any lack of vacancies."

This seems to indicate that the Judge has substituted his judgment for that of the Board and has in effect overruled the Board in a matter of administrative judgment. This a court is not entitled to do.

In its opinion on our motion to dismiss, filed December 17, 1952, the court said that its authority in such matter is:

"1. To determine whether the administrative body has exercised its discretion and if not, to compel the discretion to be exercised.

"2. Since the discretion must not be exercised arbitrarily, if the administrative body has acted, the court can determine whether its action is based upon any substantial evidentiary facts."

The Judge found that the Board did consider the Borseth matter and rejected it. This met the condition of the first paragraph quoted above.

He apparently found that the Board did not act arbitrarily but in accord with "the policy of the Board." This leaves for decision only the question of whether the action of the Board is based upon any substantial evidentiary facts.

The Judge really does not consider the various substantial facts on which the Board made its determination, viz., the matter of morale of the Department, the matter of a resignation rather than a leave of absence, the fact that reinstatement would, under the Charter, put Borseth back on the Retirement Fund, as though he had never drawn his accumulated funds. Rather he brushes off the decision of the Board as "policy," and says that the policy of the Board must yield to the policy of the statute.

It is our opinion that the Judge erred. Your Board acted in good faith with substantial reasons for its decision. In such case a court is not entitled to overrule an executive Board merely because the Judge would act otherwise because the state Constitution draws a sharp line be-

tween judicial power and administrative power. Here the Judge went beyond his judicial authority. We feel that the chances of obtaining a reversal are amply sufficient to justify an appeal to the Supreme Court and would recommend such action. If the Borseth case is left here, it will doubtless promote other similar incidents. If Borseth is reinstated, he goes back on the Retirement list without diminution of benefits. Deducting the amount he drew from his back pay will not make up the loss to the Retirement Fund.

Respectfully submitted,

PIERCE, PLANCK & RAMSEY
By J. W. PLANCK.

By Com. Carrier—

That the Attorney, J. W. Planck, be instructed to appeal the case to the Supreme Court.

Carried.

May 12, 1953

Honorable Board and Police and
Fire Commissioners

Gentlemen:

Attached is a communication from Patrolman Louis Mills, which is being referred to the Board for whatever action they see fit to take in the matter.

Respectfully submitted,

PAUL R. TAYLOR,
Chief of Police.

By Com. Mahoney—

That Louis Mills be given a leave of absence, with pay, for the entire period of his military service.

Carried.

April 29, 1953

Board of Police and Fire Commissioners

Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen:

We would greatly appreciate the services of Lieutenant McCort during the summer season for a safety program with the children using the parks and playgrounds.

Lieutenant McCort is doing and has done an excellent job with the kids of this city.

Sincerely,

LEE BANCROFT,
Superintendent.

By Com. Hunter—

That the request for Lieutenant McCort's services during the summer months at the parks and playgrounds be granted.

Carried.

May 12, 1953

Honorable Board of Police and
Fire Commissioners

Gentlemen:

A communication is attached from the United Exterminators submitting a bid to keep the jail free of vermin.

The bid is submitted to the Board for whatever action they see fit to take in the matter.

Respectfully submitted,

PAUL R. TAYLOR,
Chief of Police.

By Com. Smith—

That the contract with the United Exterminators be renewed for another year for the sum of \$120.00, which includes semi-monthly inspection.

Carried.

April 30, 1953

Dr. Lawrence A. Drolett, President
Board of Police and Fire Commissioners

120 East Shiawassee

Lansing 30, Michigan

Re: Your letter of April 17th
relative to fire alarm
equipment in our plant.

Dear Sir:

We are attaching copy of a memorandum from Mr. K. M. Comerford, Plant Engineer, covering his conversation with Mr. Cecil Hethorn, Superintendent of Fire Alarms.

We are proceeding in accordance with Mr. Comerford's memorandum and believe that this will clear up the situation in Plant No. 4.

Yours very truly,

DUO-THERM DIVISION
Motor Wheel Corporation
RALPH A. COLE,
Vice-President

Attach.

cc: Mr. M. F. Cotes
Mr. K. M. Comerford

Referred to the Committee on Radio
and Communications.

May 12, 1953

Honorable Board of Police and
Fire Commissioners

Gentlemen:

The Michigan Association of Chiefs of Police will hold their annual convention at Bay City from June 29 to July 1st, and the International Association of Chiefs of Police will hold their annual convention at Detroit from September 13th to September 17th.

With the Board's approval, I would like to make arrangements to attend the two Police conventions.

Respectfully submitted,

PAUL TAYLOR,
Chief of Police

By Com. Carrier—

That Chief Taylor be authorized to attend Michigan Association of Chiefs at Bay City and the International Association of Chiefs at Detroit.

Carried.

May 12, 1953

Honorable Board of Police and
Fire Commissioners

Gentlemen:

A Command Officers Training Course will again be conducted at Michigan State College from June 1-5, 1953.

Officers attending this school in the past have received valuable training in their work.

With the approval of the Board, I would like to enroll Sergeant Herman Spitzley and Sergeant Paul Beach in this school.

Respectfully submitted,

PAUL TAYLOR,
Chief of Police

By Com. Hunter—

That the request of Chief Taylor be granted.

Carried.

May 12, 1953

Board of Police and Fire Commissioners

Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen:

Attached is the resignation from the Fire Department of probationary fireman Gerald D. Wahl, effective May 10, 1953.

Fireman Wahl was appointed to the fire department June 16, 1952.

I recommend that his resignation be accepted.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES H. DECKER,
Chief.

By Com. Carrier—

That the resignation of Gerald D. Wahl be accepted, effective May 10, 1953.

Carried.

May 12, 1953

Honorable Board of Police and
Fire Commissioners

Gentlemen:

Command officer reports are attached on probationary patrolmen Duane Cohoon, Russell Gillette, Homer Phelps, William Teszlewicz, George Cowan, and Frederick Wilkins.

Inasmuch as the reports are satisfactory on these probationary patrolmen, I recommend that their appointments be confirmed.

Respectfully submitted,

PAUL TAYLOR,
Chief of Police

By Com. Carrier—

That Duane Cahoon, Russell Gillette, Homer Phelps, William Teszlewicz, George Cowan and Frederick Wilkins be confirmed regular patrolmen.

Carried.

May 12, 1953

Paul R. Taylor

Chief of Police

Sir:

Having completed more than twenty-five years of service, I have filed application with the Secretary of the Police & Fire Retirement System, to be placed on the list of retired and pensioned police officers, effective June 1, 1953.

May I take this opportunity to express my appreciation for the cooperation and consideration shown me by the various department heads during my term of employment with the department.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANK PERRY,
Lieutenant

By Com. Carrier—

That the application for retirement of Lieutenant Frank Perry be accepted and a letter of appreciation be sent to Lieut. Perry.

Carried.

May 12, 1953

Board of Police and Fire Commissioners

Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen:

Your Apparatus Committee was present at the acceptance test and demonstration of the new 85 ft. aerial service truck held at East Saginaw Street Bridge May 7, 1953.

The test was conducted by Delivery Engineer John McEneaney of the Seagrave Corporation and Master Mechanic Idus Burgess. The results of the test indicate that this service aerial truck performs satisfactorily and meets all specifications as listed in the purchase agreement.

We recommend that this apparatus be accepted.

W. J. MAHONEY,
CLAUDE G. TEACHOUT,
LEO J. SMITH,
Apparatus Committee

By Com. Mahoney—

That the report of the Committee be adopted.

Carried.

May 12, 1953

Honorable Board of Police and Fire Commissioners

Gentlemen:

Your Committee on Men & Discipline recommends that applicant William J. Cavanaugh be appointed as a member of the Police Department, providing he passes his physical examinations.

William J. Cavanaugh was appointed as a patrolman on February 26, 1951, and resigned on January 27, 1953. He shall serve the customary probation period.

Respectfully submitted,

RENO G. CARRIER,
CLAUDE I. HUNTER,
LEO J. SMITH,
Committee on Men & Discipline

By Com. Carrier—

That the report of the Committee be adopted and the date of hire be left to Chief Taylor.

Carried.

GENERAL ORDER

The following claims against the Fire Department were presented and allowed by the following vote: Yeas 8, Nays 0.

The Seagrave Corporation	\$37,554.00
Lansing Laundry	51.80
Boichot Concrete Products Corp.	43.05
Brick and Supplies Corp.	165.11
Gregory, Mayer & Thom Co.	26.37
Quality Awning Shop	3.50
The C. G. Braxmar Co.	7.38
E & J Resuscitator Co.	7.61
United States Rubber Co.	12.88
Directroy Publishing Co.	25.50
Morton Textile, Inc.	45.05
VanCore Pest Control Service	6.00
W. H. Nickel	73.00
Charles H. Decker	9.75
United Office Equipment Co.	656.65
McKay Coal Company	945.57
C. McBride	10.06
P. M. Wells, D.O.	12.50
George Conn Service	9.41
St. Lawrence Hospital	10.00
Anthony D. Calomeni, M.D.	10.00
Vandervoort Hardware Co.	8.91
Industrial Laundry	132.60
Standard Oil Co.	565.97
Graybar Electric Co., Inc.	164.87
The Journal of Commerce	4.89
Edward McCann	38.00
Mine Safety Appliances Co.	34.44
Capitol City Wrecking Co.	16.74
Franklin DeKleine Co.	9.09
Central Welding Supply Co.	15.62
L. L. Henry, M.D.	85.50
Trevelyan Oldsmobile, Inc.	113.28
Michigan Company, Inc.	148.80
General Parts & Service, Inc.	156.88
Wedemeyer Electronic Supply Co.	4.29
Paul Automotive, Inc.	47.67
Schaberg-Dietrich Hardware Co.	26.46
The Weissinger Paper Co.	70.76
Grand River Saw Shop	2.25
Bunday Bedding Company	239.40
Fields Radiator Shop	39.21
Capitol Casting Co.	35.20
Van's Photo Service	13.07
John Bean Division	1480.00
The Silver Lead Paint Co.	7.35
The DuBois Co., Inc.	236.86
Kenneth H. Smith, Distributor	29.01
Michigan Supply Co.	10.68
Michigan Brass & Electric Co.	33.97
Board of Water & Light Commrs.	772.29
Robert J. Foster	115.00
Michigan Bell Telephone Co.	251.25
Parker's Paint Store	39.20
Consumers Power Co.	78.13
Fire Engineering	2.05
Barker-Fowler Electric Co.	212.40
Jarvis Engineering Works	9.39

The following claims against the Police Department were presented and allowed by the following vote: Yeas 8, Nays 0.

Western Union Co.	8.42
Lansing Speedy Auto Wash	49.00
Carl Entenmann & Son	1957.95
Otis Parks	361.37
Melville Emblem Co.	327.11
Federal Laboratories	251.53
Burroughs Adding Machine Co.	208.50
H. S. Jones	161.00

Tire Recappers of Lansing	158.05
Paul R. Taylor	24.68
The Bike Shop	140.70
Sidney Hildebrandt	115.00
Wonch Battery Co.	51.25
The Dudley Paper Co.	102.36
Cameron's	74.64
Cutler Oil Co.	71.69
Trevellyan Oldsmobile, Inc.	65.65
R. P. Lewis Co.	112.09
The Stover Co.	60.53
Oliver B. McGillicuddy, M.D.	50.00
General Parts & Service, Inc.	62.45
Paul Automotive, Inc.	36.00
Edward W. Sparrow Hospital	33.90
C. R. Moore, Agent—	
Ammon-McBride-Moore	30.59
Duncan Lumber Co.	26.27
Michigan Bell Telephone Co.	300.39
Directory Publishing Co.	38.25
Emery-Pratt Co.	23.70
H. C. Berger Co.	21.50
International Association of	
Chiefs of Police	20.00

Henry Schwab Co.	18.49
Board of Water & Light Commrs... ..	17.19
Industrial Laundry	14.50
Capitol City Body Works	10.00
Whitmore Automotive	9.96
Wedemeyer Electronic Supply	8.43
Mill Supplies Corp.	8.20
Michigan School Service, Inc.	7.55
Railway Express Agency, Inc.	5.98
Lansing Laundry	5.31
Electric Products Sales	4.40
Hack's Key Shop	1.50
Kimball Office Machines	4.00
Dean & Harris of Lansing	4.44
Vandervoort Hardware Co.	1.31

The Board adjourned.

MILLIE M. BROWN,
City Clerk.

April 12, 1953

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF The Board of Police and Fire Commissioners OF THE CITY OF LANSING

Proceedings June 9, 1953

June 9, 1953

The Board met in regular session and was called to order by the President, Com. Drolett.

ROLL CALL

Present—Coms. Beekman, Carrier, Dell, Drolett, Hunter, Smith, Teachout—7.
Absent—Com. Mahoney—1.

Com. Mahoney was excused from the meeting.

COMMUNICATIONS

Letter from Mrs. Mary Morrison expressing gratitude for the kindly manner of Sgt. Okey Peterson in informing her of her daughter's death.

Received and placed on file.

Letter from L. Edwin Hill, Meriden, Connecticut for kindness shown him by police officer on his recent visit to Lansing.

Received and placed on file.

Letter from Wm. C. Wangeman, Los Angeles, California Police department in appreciation for kindness shown him while in Lansing as to the function of the Lansing police department.

Received and placed in file.

Letter from Mrs. Agnes C. Byers thanking Fire Department for their kindness shown her when she had difficulty in breathing.

Received and placed on file.

Letter from Ingham County Medical Society commending Fire Department for steps taken in providing ambulance with suitable splinting devices for use in handling and transporting accident victims.

Received and placed on file.

Letter from Board of Cemetery and Park Commrs. thanking Police Department for services of Lt. McCourt during the summer season.

Received and placed on file.

Communication from City Council relative to resolution passed by Charter Study Committee that the Board file with the Committee a written statement setting forth suggestions pertaining to their functions.

Com. Drolett appointed Commrs. Hunter, Dell and Smith and Chief Decker and Chief Taylor to study the above request and report to the Charter Study Committee.

Det. Sgt. Sigmund Wojtysiak asks permission to keep his old type Detective Sgt. badge, if it is to be retired, because of a sentimental value.

By Com. Hunter—

That Det. St. Sigmund Wojtysiak be given permission to keep his old badge as a keepsake.

Carried.

Letter from Sgt. Paul Beach and Sgt. Herman Spitzley thanking the Board for the privilege of being allowed to attend the Command Officers Training School during week of June 1st at Michigan State College.

Received and placed on file.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

May 18, 1953

Board of Police and Fire Commissioners

Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen:

Your Men and Discipline Committee recommends the following promotions to fill existing vacancies in the fire department, effective June 21, 1953:

Engineer Nicholas Horiszny to Lieutenant.

Fireman Lawrence Deason to Engineer.

Fireman Richard Spillette to Engineer.

RENO G. CARRIER,
CLAUDE I. HUNTER,
LEO J. SMITH,
Men & Discipline Committee.

By Com. Carrier—

That the report of the Committee be adopted.

Carried.

June 9, 1953.

Honorable Board of
Police and Fire Commissioners

Gentlemen:

Your Committee on Men and Discipline recommends that Sergeant Okey Peterson be promoted to the rank of Lieutenant, and that Patrolman Raymond King be promoted to the rank of Sergeant, and that Patrolman Edmund Kowalski be assigned to the duties of court officer at a salary increase of one hundred and fifty (\$150.00) dollars per year more than a full paid patrolman. All promotions to be effective June 10, 1953.

Respectfully submitted,

RENO G. CARRIER,
LEO J. SMITH,
CLAUDE I. HUNTER,
Committee on Men & Discipline,
Police & Fire Commission.

By Com. Carrier—

That the report of the Committee be adopted.

Carried.

June 9, 1953.

Honorable Board of
Police and Fire Commissioners

Gentlemen:

It has been called to the attention of your Committee on Ways and Means, that

an inequity exists in the salaries of radio engineer Stanley Steigman and assistant radio engineer Carter McCormick, as provided in the budget for the fiscal year.

Your Committee recommends that the sum of two hundred (\$200.00) dollars be added to the present salaries of these men, effective and retroactive to May 1, 1953.

Respectfully submitted,

LEO J. SMITH,
RINA M. DELL,
MARVIN BEEKMAN,
Committee on Ways & Means,
Police & Fire Commission.

By Com. Smith:

That the report of the Committee be adopted.

Carried.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS

June 9, 1953.

Honorable Board of
Police and Fire Commissioners

Gentlemen:

Attached are special reports and copies of the accident reports on patrolman Robert Curtis and patrolman John Feters, motorcycle riders, which occurred on June 5th.

Patrolmen Curtis and Feters received minor injuries and returned to work the same day.

Respectfully submitted,

PAUL R. TAYLOR,
Chief of Police.

Received and placed on file.

June 9, 1953.

Board of Police and Fire Commissioners

Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen:

I wish to request your permission to attend the annual meeting of the International Association of Fire Chiefs at Toronto, Ontario, from September 15th to 18th, 1953.

I would like to have your approval before I make application to the Auditing and Accounts Committee of the City Council for funds to attend this meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES H. DECKER,
Chief.

By Com. Smith—

That Chief Decker be allowed to attend the annual meeting of International Association of Fire Chiefs at Toronto, Ontario, September 15th to 18th, 1953.

Carried.

June 9, 1953.

Board of Police and Fire Commissioners

Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen:

Attached is a letter from Master Mechanic Idus Burgess recommending salary adjustments for members of the Police and Fire Department Garage.

I recommend that an adjustment be made in the Master Mechanic's annual wage rate, also.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES H. DECKER,
Chief.

Referred to Committees on Ways & Means and Automobile & Apparatus to report back next month.

June 9, 1953.

Board of Police and Fire Commissioners

Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen:

Attached is the resignation from the fire department of probationary fireman Gerald D. Cole, effective May 28, 1953.

I recommend that this resignation be accepted.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES H. DECKER,
Chief.

By Com. Carrier—

That the resignation of Fireman Gerald D. Cole be accepted.

Carried.

June 9, 1953.

Board of Police and Fire Commissioners

Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen:

Attached is a letter from Captain Leon Leathermon notifying this department that

he has made application to be retired on pension effective August 2, 1953.

Captain Leathermon was appointed to the fire department September 16, 1921; promoted to Engineer July 10, 1931; promoted to Lieutenant July 15, 1943, and promoted to Captain July 15, 1944.

The members of this department join with me in wishing Captain Leathermon many healthy and happy years ahead.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES H. DECKER,
Chief.

By Com. Carrier—

That the application of Leon Leathermon to be retired on pension be accepted and a citation be sent him for his service in the department.

Carried.

Chief Taylor reported on men in hospital.

Chief Taylor gave a report on Virgil Peter Guercki, an applicant for position in garage as a mechanic.

By Com. Beekman—

That Virgil Peter Guercki be hired subject to physical examination and serve the probationary period; pay rate to be that of first year patrolman; also subject to satisfaction of Chief Taylor and Master Mechanic Burgess.

Carried.

Chief Decker reported on men in hospital and Deputy Chief Kopietz reported on injured fireman that was in an accident.

Chief Decker gave quotation on three pieces of fire equipment that should carry collision insurance.

By Com. Smith—

That the remaining pieces of motorized equipment in the Fire Department be covered by collision insurance at the price quoted by Chief Decker.

Carried.

Capt. George J. Kleess, inspector instructor of the Lansing marine corps, spoke relative to an act passed by Congress which became effective January 1, 1953, relative to reserves. He also offered his services to aid in setting up a master disaster plan for Lansing, designed to meet critical emergencies.

GENERAL ORDER

The following claims against the Fire Department were presented and allowed by the following vote: Yeas 7, Nays 0.

The Bi-Lateral Fire Hose Co.	\$6664.00
B & M Auto Sales	4250.00
Michigan Brass & Electric Co.	3916.72
Standard Oil Company	1152.76
Bd. of Water & Elec. Lt. Comm.	499.54
Michigan Bell Telephone Co.	254.50
Michigan Brass & Elec. Co.	178.64
Gregory, Mayer & Thom Co.	138.18
Parker's Paint Store	138.03
General Parts & Service, Inc.	135.57
The Seagrave Corporation	126.68
Homelite Corporation	125.05
Record Files, Inc.	110.22
Franklin DeKleine Company	100.78
Angell Construction Co.	74.00
Consumers Power Co.	72.11
Michigan Brass & Elec. Co.	58.59
L. L. Henry, M.D.	58.00
Lansing Laundry	57.92
W. H. Nickel	53.25
Lansing Supply Co.	46.28
Bunday Bedding Co.	36.45
Sam's, Inc.	35.60
United Office Equipment Co.	34.10
Boichot Concrete Products Corp.	29.36
Vandervoort Hardware Co.	29.90
Reo Motors, Inc.	24.52
Schaberg-Dietrich Hardware Co.	24.51
Central Welding Supply	23.76
John Bean Division	22.28
St. Lawrence Hospital	20.00
Capitol City Wrecking Co.	16.94
Michigan Supply Co.	14.99
National Fire Protection Ass'n.	14.00
Charles H. Decker	13.42
Sohn Bros. Laundry	13.20
Maurice Polack, Inc.	11.06
Van's Photo Service	10.79
Brick & Supplies Corp.	9.41
Hacker-King-Sherry Agency	8.63
Jarvis Engineering Works	7.18
VanCore Pest Control Services	6.00
The American Red Cross	6.00
Norwalk Truck Line	5.34
Paul Automotive, Inc.	4.78
Goodyear Service Stores	4.51
William Burt	4.00
Michigan Company, Inc.	3.42
Hilding Office Supply	2.78
Fisher Hamilton Wallpaper Co.	2.65
Associated Truck Lines, Inc.	2.15
North Side Pharmacy	2.00

GENERAL ORDER

The following claims against the Police Department were presented and allowed by the following vote: Yeas 7, Nays 0.

Trevellyan Oldsmobile, Inc.	\$6571.52
General Parts & Service	1512.11
Michigan Bell Telephone Co.	298.35
Motorola, Inc.	181.20
Schubel Auto Trim Shop	153.88
Tire Recappers of Lansing	152.66
Bd. of Water & Elec. Lt. Comm.	115.50
The Texas Company	107.09
Widemeyer Electronic Supply	87.11
Don's Printing Service	68.50
Lansing Speedy Auto Wash	61.00
Benson Hardware Co.	59.33
Loren Purchis	55.00
Trevellyan Olds, Inc., Tire Division	49.75
Franklin DeKleine Co.	47.34
Capitol City Body Works	40.72
L. L. Henry, M.D.	40.50
Van's Photo Service	29.11
H. C. Berger Co.	22.60
Cameron's	20.65
R. P. Lewis Co.	20.03
Sears Roebuck Co.	16.80
The Rikerd Lumber Co.	15.88
Paul R. Taylor, Petty Cash	15.65
Morden Oil Company	14.55
The Bike Shop	14.05
Mill Supplies Corp.	12.40
Acme Glass Co.	11.96
Duncan Lumber Co.	11.29
General Electric Supply Co.	8.67
Clawson Floors	8.05
Railway Express Agency	6.35
Lansing Laundry Co.	5.70
Western Union Co.	5.65
The Stover Co.	5.30
Ammon-McBride-Moore (check to C. R. Moore)	5.12
Emery Pratt Co.	4.50
Gregory, Mayer & Thom	4.41
Hack's Key Shop	3.84
Graybar Electric Co.	3.28
Lorenz Service Co.	3.00
Edward W. Sparrow Hospital	3.00
Vandervoort Hardware Co.	2.38
Whitmore Automotive	2.36
Goodyear Service Stores	1.00

The Board adjourned.

THEO FULTON,
Deputy City Clerk.

June 9, 1953.

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF

The Board of Police and Fire

Commissioners

OF THE CITY OF LANSING

Proceedings July 14, 1953

July 14, 1953

The Board met in regular session and was called to order by the President, Com. Drolett.

By Com. Smith—

That the check be received and credited to the Firemen's Benefit Fund.

Carried.

ROLL CALL

Present—Coms. Carrier, Dell, Drolett, Hunter, Mahoney, Smith, Teachout.—7.
Absent—Com. Beekman.

Aldermen Bayles, Becker, Hayden, Kircher and Peck were present for the meeting.

Aldermen Brooks and Lavey arrived later in the session.

Mr. Kenneth C. Black, Architect, was also present.

The minutes of the previous session were approved as printed.

The Lansing Drop Forge Company sent a check for \$100 in appreciation of the services of the firemen and policemen at their recent fire.

By Com. Teachout—

That the check be received and the sum of \$50 be credited to the Firemen's Benefit Fund and \$50 to the Policemen's Benefit Fund.

Carried.

COMMUNICATIONS

A card of appreciation was received from the family of Alfred Seymour, which was received and placed on file.

The Police Department received letters of commendation from the following: Michigan State Police, J. Edgar Hoover, Wolverine Boys' State, C. L. Thompson, Andrew Powers, Leland Steel & Iron Company, Michigan Junior Chamber of Commerce, Lansing Commandery No. 25, Dean & Harris, Lansing Chamber of Commerce, which were all received and placed on file.

A letter of appreciation was received from Kenneth C. Black for the courtesy and efficiency displayed by the firemen when their home at 1717 W. Lenawee Street was on fire, and enclosed a check for \$50 in appreciation.

A communication was received from Cyrille Leblanc, President of the International Association of Chiefs of Police, informing Chief Taylor that the City of Lansing had received honorable mention in the annual competition for awards presented by the IACP for outstanding work in the traffic law enforcement field.

Received and placed on file.

Dwight H. Rich asks that Dt. Lieut. Clarissa Young and Lieut. Herbert McCourt be allowed to attend meeting which is being held by the Board of Education for the administrative staff of the public schools at St. Mary's Lake, from September 3 to September 4. Expenses to be paid by the Board of Education.

By Com. Hunter—

That the request of Mr. Rich be granted.

Carried.

July 13, 1953

Honorable Board of Police
and Fire Commissioners

Gentlemen:

Attached is a communication from Captain Ward Rainwater pertaining to entering the pistol team in matches.

The communication is referred to the Board for whatever action they see fit to take in the matter.

Respectfully submitted,

PAUL R. TAYLOR,
Chief of Police.

By Com. Smith—

That the requests of Captain Rainwater be granted.

Carried.

July 13, 1953

Lansing Police Dept.

Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen:

Please consider our quotation on the following items:

1 Model F 14 ft. Aluma Craft Boat	
Retails FOB Lansing @	\$360.00
1 5 HP Johnson Outboard Motor	
Retails FOB Lansing @	\$199.50
	\$550.50
Less 10%	55.05
	\$495.45

Thanking you for the opportunity to quote, we are—

Yours truly,

VANDERVOORT HARDWARE CO.
John Murner,
Boats & Motors.

By Com. Mahoney—

That Chief Taylor be authorized to purchase the boat.

Carried.

July 13, 1953

Honorable Board of Police
and Fire Commissioners

Gentlemen:

The Police Department conducted the annual auction sale of lost and confiscated property last Saturday. A total of \$262.25 was taken in and deposited to the credit of the Police & Fire Retirement Fund.

Respectfully submitted,

PAUL R. TAYLOR,
Chief of Police.

Received and placed on file.

June 30, 1953

Mr. Ernest Kopietz
Assistant Chief

Lansing Fire Department

Lansing, Michigan

Dear Ernie:

Please accept my sincere gratitude for the splendid presentation you gave, with the assistance of Inspector John Coffey, at the Fire Prevention and Inspection course of the recent Michigan Fire College.

In my humble opinion your part of the program highlighted the entire course. We are sincerely sorry that we had to terminate your time. I hope you aren't offended. Your presentation very definitely should be used again.

Thank you again and best wishes in your work.

Yours truly,

HAROLD C. CHIRGWIN
Fire Marshal.

Received and placed on file.

July 14, 1953.

Board of Police and Fire
Commissioners

Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen:

Probationary Fireman Jack R. Sebolt was dismissed from the fire department, effective June 12, 1953, for violation of Section 153, Rules and Regulations (Leave of absence without a permit from the chief of the department).

Fireman James H. Largent was penalized the loss of five leave days, effective July 7, 1953, for violations of Section 153, Rules and Regulations.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES H. DECKER,
Chief.

By Com. Carrier—

The above was reviewed by the Committee on Men and Discipline and move we concur in the action of Chief Decker.

Carried.

July 14, 1953

Board of Police and Fire
Commissioners

Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen:

Attached is a letter from Superintendent of Fire Alarms Cecil G. Hethorn regard-

ing Lineman Richard Elliott, who has served the usual probationary period.

Also attached is a letter signed by the administrative officers of the fire fighting division regarding probationary firemen Henry Loszewski, William Reams and Douglas Gregg.

Inasmuch as these reports are satisfactory and these men have satisfactorily passed physical examinations, I recommend that their appointments be confirmed.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES H. DECKER,
Chief.

By Com. Carrier—

That Richard Elliott be confirmed as a regular Lineman and Henry Loszewski, William Reams and Douglas Gregg be confirmed regular firemen.

Carried.

July 14, 1953

Apparatus Committee

Board of Police and Fire
Commissioners

Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen:

The two reserve engines in service in our department were purchased in March, 1918, and September, 1921.

I do not believe that these two engines are suitable for full time service as a replacement for any of our engines, or for regular service in an additional station.

I recommend the purchase of a new pumping engine, built to our specifications, for delivery as soon as another engine company is to be placed in service.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES H. DECKER,
Chief.

Referred to the Committee on Automobile and Apparatus to report back at the next meeting on the approximate cost.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Com. Hunter reported on the work of the Special Charter Committee, stating that written recommendations had been made to the Charter Study Committee.

By Com. Smith—

That the Special Charter Committee of the Board of Police and Fire Commissioners be discharged.

Carried.

Com. Dell reported on the bids that had been received for coal needs of the Fire Department.

By Com. Dell—

That the bids be referred to the Committee on Property and Purchasing with power to act.

Carried.

The following Committee Reports were submitted to the City Council at a meeting held on July 13, 1953, and were referred to the Committees on Building and Properties, and Police and Fire.

July 12, 1953

Mayor Ralph W. Crego and
The Lansing City Council

Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen:

This committee requests that you authorize the immediate purchase of Lot 6, Maple Hill Subdivision and Lot 18, Edwards Glendale Heights.

Signed:

LEO J. SMITH, Chairmna,
REON G. CARRIER,
CLAUDE G. TEACHOUT,
Special Building Committee,
Board of Police and Fire
Commissioners

Referred to Committees on Buildings and Properties and Police and Fire.

July 13, 1953

Honorable Mayor Ralph Crego
and Members of City Council

Gentlemen:

Recently Chief Charles H. Decker of the Fire Department has advised the Special Building Committee of the Board of Police and Fire Commissioners on some repair work that is necessary to Number 3 Fire Station. An inspection was made of this building by the Committee and Mr. Collins Thornton, City Engineer. We find this building in very poor structural condition and due to its age has outlived its usefulness. Any monies spent for reconditioning this building would not be practical. Therefore, we are submitting the following recommendations:

1. Number 3 Fire Station be torn down and rebuilt on its present site.
2. Additional property be acquired at this location. (Council Property and Purchasing Committee has been advised.)
3. Authorize the retaining of the present Architects of the Glendale Avenue Fire

Station as parts of this plan can be used for Number 3 Station.

We are requesting that action be taken as soon as possible as the reconditioning of this fire station must be done before the cold weather season arrives.

Respectfully submitted,

LEO SMITH, Chairman,
RENO G. CARRIER,
CLAUDE G. TEACHOUT,
Special Building Committee.

Referred to Committees of Buildings and Properties and Police and Fire.

June 12, 1953

Board of Police and Fire
Commissioners

Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen:

Your Ways and Means Committee conducted a meeting with Chief Charles Decker and Master Mechanic Idus Burgess concerning wage adjustments for members of the Police and Fire Department Garage.

We recommend that Mechanic Wilbur Stedman be promoted to the rank of Assistant Mechanic at an annual total salary of \$4,900.00 and that Olaf Elder be given the rank of Mechanic at an annual total salary of \$4,700.00 effective July 19, 1953.

We also recommend that no further action regarding salary adjustments in the division be taken at this time.

Signed:

LEO J. SMITH,
RINA M. DELL,
Ways and Means Committee.

By Com. Smith—

That the report of the Committee be adopted.

Carried.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS

Chief Taylor reported on approximate cost and showed sample of summer uniforms that might be used for the Police Department; this to comply with a resolution which was introduced at a meeting of the City Council on June 22, 1953—

"By Ald. Stabler—

"Resolved by the City Council of the City of Lansing:

"That the Board of Police and Fire Commissioners be directed to approve an appropriate summer uniform for members of the Lansing Police Department.

"Referred to Police and Fire Committee."

Chief Taylor explained that to order summer uniforms now, delivery could not be made before October, 1953.

The matter was referred to the Committee on Men and Discipline.

A very comprehensive annual report of the Lansing Police Department for 1952 was presented to the Board.

Chief Taylor filed a financial statement for the month of June, 1953.

Chief Decker filed a report on the activities of the department and a financial statement for the month of June, 1953.

Chief Taylor reported on the purchase of 200 handbooks on Public Relations which he had purchased for distribution to the men in the Police Department.

GENERAL ORDER

The following claims against the Fire Department were presented and allowed by the following vote: Yeas 7, Nays 0.

Standard Oil Company	\$584.11
E & J Resuscitator Co.	578.03
Paul Automotive, Inc.	344.61
Michigan Bell Telephone Co.	256.75
Michigan Brass & Electric Co.	247.82
Bd. of Water & Elec. Light Coms.	231.09
Capitol Casting Co.	222.75
Brick & Supplies Corp.	200.61
The Bike Shop	200.00
John Bean Division	171.50
Overhead Door Co. of Michigan	165.80
Overhead Door Co. of Michigan	159.49
Parkers Paint Store	156.25
Boichot Concrete Products Corp.	89.65
General Parts & Service, Inc.	82.66
Brett's Printing Service	81.18
Consumers Power Co.	77.39
Rogers Leather Goods Store	69.00
Lansing Laundry	62.37
Graybar Electric Co., Inc.	59.40
The Dudley Paper Co.	58.19
Michigan Fire Equipment Co.	55.75
Vandervoort Hardware Co.	55.55
Standard Block & Supply	55.49
The C. G. Braxmar Co.	54.79
Jarvis Engineering Works	49.24
George Conn Service	42.57
Lansing Supply Co.	40.68
Lyman Body Company	37.50
Trevellyan Oldsmobile	36.99
Lansing Speedy Auto Wash	36.00
C. McBride	33.42
Karl Jakovac	30.30
The Colmar Co.	28.02
Painters Supplies, Inc.	27.96
F. H. McClintock Co.	27.36
E. & J. Resuscitator Co.	27.27
Charles H. Decker	18.22

Whitmore Automotive	18.08
Braden Manufacturing Co.	16.47
St. Lawrence Hospital	16.00
General Electric Supply Co.	15.88
Franklin DeKleine Co.	15.46
L. L. Henry, M.D.	15.00
Schubel Auto Trim Shop	13.00
Superior Sheet Metal Works	10.60
Handleman Drug Co.	9.89
Schaberg-Dietrich Hardware	9.29
Murphy Supply Co.	8.39
Auto Glass Company	7.98
Lansing Glass & Glazing Works.....	7.82
Sohn Brothers Laundry	7.20
Edward W. Sparrow Hospital	6.50
Offenhauer Company	6.32
Lansing Camera Shop, Inc.	6.21
VanCore Pest Control Service	6.00
Jacklin Steel Supply Co.	5.02
Theodore I. Bauer, M.D.	5.00
International Municipal Signal Association	5.00
Cummings Saw Shop	4.50
Michigan Supply Co.	4.24
Mill Supplies Corp.	3.70
Bollert's East Side Hardware.....	2.65

GENERAL ORDER

The following claims against the Police Department were presented and allowed by the following vote: Yeas 7, Nays 0.

General Electric Company	\$3990.19
Michigan Bell Telephone Co.	299.10
R. P. Lewis Company	209.63
St. Lawrence Hospital	205.00
The Bike Shop	160.35
Michigan State College	88.00

Wedemeyer Electronic Supply	86.20
The Dudley Paper Company	76.72
The Stover Company	75.52
Lansing Speedy Auto Wash	72.00
E. H. Rowley Company	60.00
General Parts & Service	54.98
Ayres Compton Associates	50.00
Standard Block Ready Mix	36.46
Bd. of Water & Elec. Light Coms.	32.02
Trevellyan Oldsmobile, Inc.	30.70
Francis E. Webb	30.00
Paul Taylor, Petty Cash	23.46
Franklin DeKleine Co.	22.05
Wonch Battery Company	20.00
Meade Clinic	20.00
Edward W. Sparrow Hospital	16.00
Don't Printing Service	15.50
H. W. Harris, M.D.	15.00
Acme Glass Company	12.76
Standard Oil Company	12.09
Snap On Tools	11.10
Edward McCann	10.70
The Emery Pratt Company	10.09
Western Union Co.	9.80
Tire Recappers of Lansing	9.30
Jarvis Engineering Works	8.54
United Office Equipment Co.	8.00
Paul Automotive, Inc.	7.44
Lansing Laundry	6.20
Electric Products Sales Co.	5.80
L. L. Henry, M.D.	5.00
Carrier-Stephens Co.	2.50
Vandervoort Hardware Co.	2.17

Board Adjourned.

MILLIE M. BROWN,
City Clerk.

July 14, 1953.

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF The Board of Police and Fire Commissioners OF THE CITY OF LANSING

Proceedings August 11, 1953

August 11, 1953.

The Board met in regular session and was called to order by the President, Com. Drolett.

ROLL CALL

Present—Coms. Beekman, Carrier, Dell, Drolett, Hunter, Mahoney, Smith, Teachout—8.

Absent—None.

Ald. Bayles and Brooks were present.

The minutes of the previous session were approved as printed.

COMMUNICATIONS

The Police Department received letters of commendation from the following: Daryl V. Minnis of the Ingham County Board of Social Welfare, the Warren Jordans of Arcadia, California, C. E. Turner, Edna B. Zipprott and Clarence Taylor Jr. of Capitol Lodge No. 8, F. & A. M., which were all received and placed on file.

The Fire Department received a letter of thanks from James P. Kehoe who was assisted by the department when he recently had a fall on the street.

Received and placed on file.

Inspector Charles Stragier reported on a vote taken by the men in the police department on the question of a "summer uniform."

Referred to the Committee on Men and Discipline.

August 11, 1953.

Honorable Board of Police
and Fire Commissioners

Gentlemen:

Patrolman Edwin Gawronski is again

absent from duty since July 1st as the result of an operation for hernia. This is the third operation of this kind for patrolman Gawronski.

Patrolman Louis Mills has been absent due to illness since July 30th.

Respectfully submitted,

PAUL R. TAYLOR,
Chief of Police.

By Com. Smith—

That Chief Taylor be and is hereby directed to make a request for a complete medical report on Edwin Gawronski and Louis Mills.

Carried.

August 11, 1953.

Honorable Board of Police and
Fire Commissioners

Gentlemen:

Attached is the official invitation for Detective Lieutenant Montgomery to attend the FBI National Academy at Washington, beginning August 31, 1953.

Respectfully submitted,

PAUL R. TAYLOR,
Chief of Police.

By Com. Smith—

That the invitation from the FBI National Academy to have Detective Lieutenant Oris A. Montgomery attend the 52nd session be accepted and the expenses of Detective Lieutenant Montgomery be allowed as approved by Chief Taylor.

Carried.

August 11, 1953.

Honorable Board of Police and
Fire Commissioners

Gentlemen:

A communication from Detective Ser-

geant Donald Murphy pertaining to his status in the United States Army Reserves is attached.

The letter is referred to the Board for whatever action you may wish to take in the matter.

Respectfully submitted,

PAUL R. TAYLOR,
Chief of Police.

By Com. Mahoney—

That the request of Donald Murphy be granted.

Carried.

RETIREMENT, RESIGNATIONS, PROMOTIONS

August 11, 1953.

Honorable Board of Police and
Fire Commissioners

Gentlemen:

Patrolman Thomas Pearson having completed more than twenty five years of service, filed his application with the retirement board for pension. He was placed on the list of retired and pensioned police officers, effective August 2, 1953.

Respectfully submitted,

PAUL R. TAYLOR,
Chief of Police.

By Com. Carrier—

That the application of Thomas Pearson for retirement be accepted and a citation be given Patrolman Pearson.

Carried.

By Com. Mahoney—

That from this date any policeman or fireman must have a release from the Chief of his department before he makes application for retirement; and a copy of this resolution to be posted.

Carried.

August 11, 1953.

Board of Police and
Fire Commissioners

Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen:

Attached is a letter from Chief Radio Engineer Stanley Steigman regarding the work of Robert Wikstrom of the fire department.

Inasmuch as Robert Wikstrom has satisfactorily performed his duties in the Communications Division since November 5, 1952, I recommend that he be promoted to the rank of Dispatcher, effective August 2, 1953.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES H. DECKER,
Chief.

By Com. Carrier—

That we concur in the recommendation and Robert Wikstrom be promoted to the rank of Dispatcher, effective August 2, 1953.

Carried.

August 11, 1953.

Board of Police and
Fire Commissioners

Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen:

Attached is the resignation of Fireman Donald E. Scott from the Lansing Fire Department, effective August 23, 1953.

Donald Scott was appointed to the Lansing Fire Department March 16, 1949.

I recommend that his resignation be accepted.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES H. DECKER,
Chief.

By Com. Carrier—

That the resignation of Fireman Donald E. Scott be accepted.

Carried.

August 5, 1953.

Men and Discipline Committee

Board of Police and
Fire Commissioners

Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen:

Attached is a letter signed by Assistant Chief Kopietz and Deputy Chiefs Peterson, Therrlan and Harp regarding probationary promotions recommended for members of this department.

Promotions for the addition of four Lieutenants for additional supervision in the department are included in this letter.

I concur with these recommendations.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES H. DECKER,
Chief.

Referred to the Committee on Men and Discipline.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

August 11, 1953.

Board of Police and Fire Commissioners

Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen:

We recommend the following promotions, on a probationary basis, to fill vacancies existing in the fire department, effective August 16, 1953. These promotions include the addition of four Lieutenants for additional supervision needed in the department.

Lieutenant Charles Meredith to Captain;

Engineers Irving Noyce, Michael Dutka, Arthur DeLau, Walter Goodz and Raymond Meredith to Lieutenant;

Firemen John Gregg, Robert Redburn, Thomas Bircham, Donald DeCair and Lynn Harkness to Engineer.

Signed:

RENO G. CARRIER,
CLAUDE I. HUNTER,
LEO J. SMITH,
Men & Discipline Committee.

By Com. Beekman—

That the report of the Committee be adopted.

Adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—Coms. Beekman, Dell, Mahoney, Smith, Teachout—5.

Nays—Coms. Carrier, Drolett, Hunter—3.

President Com. Drolett asked the Vice-President Com. Carrier to take the chair.

By Com. Drolett—

That the action on the previous motion to adopt the Committee Report be rescinded.

Adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—Coms. Beekman, Carrier, Dell, Drolett, Hunter, Mahoney, Smith, Teachout—8.

Nays—None.

By Com. Drolett—

That Lieutenant Charles Meredith be promoted to Captain, effective August 16, 1953.

Carried.

By Com. Teachout—

That the promotions of Engineers and Firemen be referred back to the Committee on Men & Discipline for further study.

Carried.

President, Com. Drolett, resumed the Chair.

July 15, 1953.

Board of Police and Fire Commissioners

Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen:

"This Committee has studied the recommendations of Chief Charles Decker regarding the purchase of a new 1,000 G.P.M. pumping engine with a 275 gallon booster tank and a four stage high pressure pump. We have also reviewed the specifications for a new engine submitted by Master Mechanic Idus Burgess. This engine is to be stationed in the Everett District as soon as the new station is completed.

We recommend that this engine be purchased from the Seagrave Corporation at a cost of \$18,260.00, to be delivered on or about May 15, 1954, and be constructed according to the specifications submitted by the Master Mechanic.

The first line reserve engines have been in service in the fire department for 33 years. We recommend that a long range program for replacement of over-age apparatus in the fire department be put into effect.

This Committee requests that the Ways & Means Committee and the Police & Fire Committee of the City Council approve the appropriation of \$18,260.00 from the 1954-1955 budget so the order for this pumping engine may be placed immediately in order that it may be placed in service when the Everett District station is completed.

Signed:

WM. J. MAHONEY,
CLAUDE G. TEACHOUT,
LEO J. SMITH,
Apparatus Committee.

By Com. Mahoney—

That the report of the Committee be adopted.

Carried.

By Com. Smith—

That a letter covering the subject in full relative to the purchasing one type of apparatus be sent to the City Council.

Carried.

REPORT OF OFFICERS

Chief Taylor filed a financial statement for the month of July, 1953, also reported on the story carried in the State Journal asking for applicants for the position of Patrolmen had been quite successful and several had made application.

Chief Decker filed a report of the activities of the department and a financial statement for the month of July, 1953; also made a report on the replacement of driveway in the back of No. 6 Fire Station which is a necessity.

Referred to the Committee on Property & Purchasing with power to act.

Com. Smith reported on the progress that has or is being made on the acquisition of additional property for the proposed Fire Station on Glendale Avenue and No. 3 Fire Station.

Ald. Brooks made a report on the Rules and Regulations for all hourly and weekly City employees; also salaried employees providing for a uniform arrangement for the granting of sick leaves and vacations which had been adopted by the City Council.

The Committee on Men & Discipline was appointed to investigate the subject as applying to policemen and firemen.

GENERAL ORDER

The following claims against the Fire Department were presented and allowed by the following vote: Yeas 8, Nays 0.

Standard Oil Company	\$1250.84
B & B Engineering Corp.	439.96
Morton Textiles, Inc.	372.80
Bd. of Water & Elec. Lt. Comm.	295.78
Webb Coal Company	262.90
Michigan Bell Telephone Co.	256.85
Mine Safety Appliances Co.	162.37
Boichot Concrete Products Corp.	150.78
The Seagrave Corporation	94.70
Lansing Laundry	79.41
Consumers Power Company	71.06
General Parts & Service, Inc.	63.81
L. L. Henry, M.D.	51.50
Lansing Supply Co.	41.83
Charles H. Decker	39.89
Michigan Brass & Electric Co.	37.06
Paul Automotive, Inc.	32.46
St. Lawrence Hospital	30.00
Fyr-Fyter Sales & Service	28.40

Central Welding Supply Co.	27.02
Michigan Products, Inc.	23.52
Roy O. Webb, M.D.	20.00
Michigan Supply Co.	19.76
Michigan Printing Co.	17.50
Grand Trunk Western R.R. Co.	17.00
The Apothecary Shop	16.54
E & J Resuscitator Company	16.15
McConnell Sheet Metal Co.	15.57
Dean & Harris of Lansing	14.95
Vandervoort Hardware Company	13.04
Standard Block & Supply Co.	12.38
Bollert's East Side Hardware	12.35
Sohn Bros.	12.00
Hacker, King, Sherry Agency	8.66
Wever's	6.76
Schaberg-Dietrich Hdwe. Co.	6.76
Wonch Battery Company	6.15
VanCore Pest Control Service	6.00
Whitmore Automotive	5.30
Sam's, Inc.	5.00
Benson's Hardware Co.	4.28
National Fire Protection Ass'n	3.75
The Dudley Paper Company	3.32
Jarvis Engineering Works	3.18
Mill Supplies Corporation	3.04
Overhead Door Company	3.00
Trevellyan Oldsmobile, Inc.	2.88

The following claims against the Police Department were presented and allowed by the following vote: Yeas 8, Nays 0.

Dictaphone Corporation	\$1452.00
Michigan Bell Telephone Co.	306.25
Pierce, Planck & Ramsey	202.83
Bright Star Battery Company	116.42
Eastman Kodak Stores Co.	104.40
Colt Manufacturing Co.	102.41
Hilding Office Supply Co.	94.08
The Dudley Paper Company	89.46
Franklin DeKleine Company	88.75
Lansing Speedy Auto Wash	76.00
The Gamewell Company	75.68
Wedemeyer Electronic Supply Co.	55.69
Francis Printing Service, Inc.	53.70
Don's Printing Service	51.25
United Exterminators	40.00
General Parts & Service, Inc.	38.02
Cathey Company	32.18
Lenz Bike Shop	31.80
L. L. Henry, M.D.	29.00
Bd. of Water & Elec. Lt. Comm.	26.55
James E. Light	24.00
The Stover Company	22.17
Wonch Battery Company	22.00
Benson Hardware Company	18.77
Industrial Laundry	14.50
Simpson Electric Company	12.51
Panama Carbon Company	12.17
Whitmore Automotive	12.00
Trevellyan Oldsmobile, Inc.	10.38
The Apothecary Shop	8.50
Lansing Laundry	8.36
Paul R. Taylor, Petty Cash Items	7.11
St. Lawrence Hospital	5.00
Jarvis Engineering Works	4.26
Gregory, Mayer & Thom Co.	3.10
Pako Corporation	2.90
Lansing Camera Shop, Inc.	2.45
Railway Express Agency, Inc.	1.56

Board adjourned.

MILLIE M. BROWN,
City Clerk.

August 11, 1953.

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF The Board of Police and Fire Commissioners OF THE CITY OF LANSING

Proceedings Sept. 8, 1953

September 8, 1953

The Board met in regular session and was called to order by the President, Com. Drolett.

ROLL CALL

Present—Coms. Beekman, Carrier, Dell, Drolett, Hunter, Mahoney, Smith, Teachout—8.

Absent—None.

Aldermen Bayles and Brooks were present.

The minutes of the previous session were approved as printed.

COMMUNICATIONS

The Fire Department received letters of commendation from the following: Charles M. Taylor of the R. E. Olds Company; M. D. Whale, Supervisor of Public Service Training Trade and Industrial Education; R. F. McKim of Reo Motors, Inc.; Fred A. Wagner of Centrifugal Fusing Company; Charles H. Hayden, Circuit Judge; Philip Gonia, Chief of River Rouge Fire Department; B. L. Mansberger; Charles Kontas of the Detroit Hotel; J. R. Chocola.

Received and placed on file.

The Police Department received letters of commendation from the following: E. W. J. Bagg of Glenview, Illinois; A. F. Brandstatter of M.S.C.; Mrs. Gladys Spaulding of Family Service Agency; Mrs. Howard W. Gleason; Florence Banhagel and Joe Beyers of the Lansing Public Schools; T. M. Forsythe of Wichita, Kansas.

Received and placed on file.

B. E. McNamara, M.D., files report on physical conditions of Officers Edwin Gawronski and Louis Mills as was re-

quested by the Board at the August meeting.

Received and placed on file.

Communication from Captain Ward Rainwater reporting on the Camp Perry Match, which was received and placed on file.

Communication from Lieutenant Clarissa M. Young thanking the Board for the opportunity granted her to participate in the administrative conference of the Lansing Board of Education which was held at St. Marys Lake.

Received and placed on file.

Communication from the Lansing Insurance Agency, Dyer-Jenison-Barry Company, thanking the Fire Department for their assistance in helping demonstrate accident safety and enclosed a check for \$10.00 in appreciation.

By Com. Smith—

That the check be accepted and placed in the Firemen's Benefit fund.

Carried.

Report of the Council's Ways and Means and Police and Fire Committees received, wherein an appropriation of \$18,260.00 from the 1954-1955 budget was approved for a new pumping engine for the proposed Everett District Fire Station.

Received and placed on file.

8 Sept. 1953

Board of Police & Fire Commissioners
Lansing, Michigan

Re: Fire Station #3
Project 5320

Attn: Chief Decker

Engineers Michael Dutka, Walter Goodz, Raymond Meredith, and Phillip Alber to Lieutenant.

Firemen Robert Redburn, Thomas Bircham, Donald DeCair and Lynn Harkness to Engineer.

I concur with these recommendations, to be effective September 13, 1953.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES H. DECKER, Chief

Referred to the Committee on Men and Discipline.

August 19, 1953

Men and Discipline Committee

Board of Police and Fire Commissioners

Lansing, Michigan

Attached are letters from Assistant Chief Kopietz recommending the following promotions to fill vacancies existing in the department:

Engineer Irving Noyce to Lieutenant.

Fireman John Gregg to Engineer.

I concur with these recommendations, to be effective September 13, 1953.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES H. DECKER, Chief

Referred to the Committee on Men and Discipline.

September 8, 1953

Board of Police and Fire Commissioners

Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen:

Attached are the resignations of two members of the Lansing Fire Department:

Probationary Fireman Wilbert D. Dachtler, effective September 6, 1953. Fireman Dachtler was appointed to the Fire Department October 27, 1952.

Apprentice Lineman Howard L. Philo, effective September 13, 1953. Lineman Philo was appointed to the Fire Department April 27, 1953.

I recommend that these resignations be accepted.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES H. DECKER, Chief

By Com. Carrier—

That the resignations of Probationary Fireman Wilbert D. Dachtler and Apprentice Lineman Howard L. Philo be accepted.

Carried.

August 19, 1953

Board of Police and Fire Commissioners

Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen:

Your Men and Discipline Committee interviewed the following applicants for the Fire Department:

Robert E. Crambell, Arnold A. Besonen, Duane R. Christensen, Kyle J. Eveleth, Merle V. Anderson, Maurice J. Powers, Richard L. Esch.

We recommend that they be appointed on probation to the Fire Department, effective their date of hire, after satisfactorily passing their physical examinations.

Signed:

RENO G. CARRIER,
CLAUDE I. HUNTER,
LEO J. SMITH,
Men and Discipline Committee

By Com. Carrier—

That the report of the Committee be adopted.

Carried.

August 19, 1953

Board of Police and Fire Commissioners

Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen:

We recommend that Engineer Michael Dutka be promoted to the rank of Lieutenant, effective September 13, 1953, to provide additional supervision needed in the Fire Department.

Signed:

RENO G. CARRIER,
CLAUDE I. HUNTER,
LEO J. SMITH,
Men and Discipline Committee

By Com. Carrier—

That the report of the Committee be adopted.

Carried.

Dear Chief Decker:

We are proceeding with working drawings and specifications on the above project, in line with our recent conversations.

Since the preliminary drawings, dated 14 August 1953, and the estimate, dated 20 August 1953, were submitted, certain changes have been authorized (mainly the omission of the Basement under the Apparatus Room).

Our revised estimate of construction cost is \$115,000.00.

We expect to have Working Drawings and Specifications completed and ready to go out for bids about 1 October 1953. Be assured that we are pushing the work, and we would like to advance this date if we can.

Very truly yours,

MANSON & CARVER
Wm. W. Carver

Received and placed on file.

August 28, 1953

Mr. Paul Taylor
Chief of Police

Lansing, Michigan

Sir:

Your permission is herewith requested to attend the National Safety Congress to be held in Chicago, October 19 to 23, inclusive.

As you know, the Congress is interested only in safety, with traffic safety and the latest techniques in traffic management playing an important part of the total activities.

Lansing is recognized as a leader in the field of traffic safety and the Congress offers the opportunity to keep abreast with the latest proven methods in the overall traffic management job.

Respectfully,

GEORGE T. WARNER, Capt.,
Commanding Traffic Div.

By Com. Hunter—

That the request for Captain Warner to attend the National Safety Congress be granted.

Carried.

September 3, 1953

Honorable Board of Police
and Fire Commissioners

Gentlemen:

The International Municipal Signal Association will hold their annual conven-

tion from October 5-8, inclusive, at Columbus, Ohio.

With the permission of the Board I would like to attend this convention.

Respectfully submitted,

STANLEY STEIGMAN,
Radio Engineer

By Com. Hunter—

That permission be granted Stanley Steigman to attend the International Municipal Signal Association.

Carried.

September 8, 1953

Board of Police and Fire
Commissioners

Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen:

I wish to request your permission for Superintendent of Fire Alarms Cecil G. Hethorn to attend the 58th Annual Convention of the International Municipal Signalmen's Association to be held at Columbus, Ohio, from October 5th to 8th, 1953.

Several innovations in fire alarm systems for municipalities are being introduced and discussed at these meetings, and many improvements in existing systems will be exhibited and explained.

Expenses for Mr. Hethorn to attend this convention are estimated at \$100.00 and may be appropriated by the Auditing and Accounts Committee from the City Council Contingent fund.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES H. DECKER, Chief

By Com. Beekman—

That permission be granted Cecil G. Hethorn to attend International Municipal Signal Association.

Carried.

August 19, 1953

Men and Discipline Committee

Board of Police and Fire
Commissioners

Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen:

Attached are letters from Assistant Chief Kopietz recommending promotions to provide additional supervision needed in the fire department:

August 19, 1953

Board of Police and Fire
Commissioners

Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen:

We recommend that Engineer Walter Goodz be promoted to the rank of Lieutenant, effective September 13, 1953, to provide additional supervision needed in the Fire Department.

Signed:

RENO G. CARRIER,
CLAUDE I. HUNTER,
LEO J. SMITH,
Men and Discipline Committee

By Com. Carrier—

That the report of the Committee be adopted.

Carried.

August 19, 1953

Board of Police and Fire
Commissioners

Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen:

We recommend that Engineer Raymond Meredith be promoted to the rank of Lieutenant, effective September 13, 1953, to provide additional supervision needed in the Fire Department.

Signed:

RENO G. CARRIER,
CLAUDE I. HUNTER,
LEO J. SMITH,
Men and Discipline Committee

By Com. Carrier—

That the report of the Committee be adopted.

Carried.

August 19, 1953

Board of Police and Fire
Commissioners

Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen:

We recommend that Engineer Phillip Alber be promoted to the rank of Lieutenant, effective September 13, 1953, to provide additional supervision needed in the fire department.

Signed:

RENO G. CARRIER,
CLAUDE I. HUNTER,
LEO J. SMITH,
Men and Discipline Committee

By Com. Carrier—

That the report of the Committee be adopted.

Carried.

August 19, 1953

Board of Police and Fire
Commissioners

Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen:

We recommend that Fireman Robert Redburn be promoted to the rank of Engineer, effective September 13, 1953, to fill a vacancy that exists in the Fire Department.

Signed:

RENO G. CARRIER,
CLAUDE I. HUNTER,
LEO J. SMITH,
Men and Discipline Committee

By Com. Carrier—

That the report of the Committee be adopted.

Carried.

August 19, 1953

Board of Police and Fire
Commissioners

Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen:

We recommend that Fireman Thomas Bircham be promoted to the rank of Engineer, effective September 13, 1953, to fill a vacancy that exists in the fire department.

Signed:

RENO G. CARRIER,
CLAUDE I. HUNTER,
LEO J. SMITH,
Men and Discipline Committee

By Com. Carrier—

That the report of the Committee be adopted.

Carried.

August 19, 1953

Board of Police and Fire
Commissioners

Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen:

We recommend that Fireman Donald DeCair be promoted to the rank of Engineer, effective September 13, 1953, to fill

a vacancy that exists in the Fire Department.

Signed:

RENO G. CARRIER,
CLAUDE I. HUNTER,
LEO J. SMITH,

Men and Discipline Committee

By Com. Carrier—

That the report of the Committee be adopted.

Carried.

August 19, 1953

Board of Police and Fire
Commissioners

Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen:

We recommend that Fireman Lynn Harkness be promoted to the rank of Engineer, effective September 13, 1953, to fill a vacancy that exists in the Fire Department.

Signed:

RENO G. CARRIER,
CLAUDE I. HUNTER,
LEO J. SMITH,

Men and Discipline Committee

By Com. Carrier—

That the report of the Committee be adopted.

Carried.

August 19, 1953

Board of Police and Fire
Commissioners

Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen:

We recommend that Fireman John Gregg be promoted to the rank of Engineer, effective September 13, 1953, to fill a vacancy that exists in the Fire Department.

Signed:

RENO G. CARRIER,
CLAUDE I. HUNTER,
LEO J. SMITH,

Men and Discipline Committee

By Com. Carrier—

That the report of the Committee be adopted.

Carried.

August 19, 1953

Board of Police and Fire
Commissioners

Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen:

We recommend that Engineer Irving Noyce be promoted to the rank of Lieutenant, effective September 13, 1953, to fill a vacancy that exists in the Fire Department.

Signed:

RENO G. CARRIER,
CLAUDE I. HUNTER,
LEO J. SMITH,

Men and Discipline Committee

By Com. Carrier—

That the report of the Committee be adopted.

Carried.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS

Chief Taylor filed a financial statement for the month of August, 1953.

Chief Decker filed a report of the activities of the department and a financial statement for the month of August, 1953.

RESOLUTIONS

By Com. Smith—

That permission be granted Captain Warner and Inspector Straiger to attend the International Association of Police Chiefs in Detroit on September 16, expenses to be paid from the Educational Fund.

Carried

By Com. Smith—

That Chief Decker be authorized to proceed with arrangements to have a rear door installed in No. 8 Fire Station and a parking lot for the firemen at the rear of station.

Carried.

President Drolett asked the Special Building Committee to arrange a meeting with the Lansing Township Board within the next two weeks in regard to vacating Township Hall.

Carried.

GENERAL ORDER

The following claims against the Fire Department were presented and allowed by the following vote: Yeas, 8; Nays, 0.

Standard Oil Company	\$616.97
C. McBride	470.74
Goodyear Service Stores	403.21
Bd. of Water & Elec. Light Com.	255.18
Michigan Bell Telephone Co.	251.45
Morton Textiles, Inc.	240.00
Michigan Brass & Electric	146.31
L. L. Henry, M.D.	135.00
Jarvis Engineering Works	126.26
Capital Casting Co.	105.60
Lyman Body Company	88.00
Brick and Supplies Corporation	87.10
Consumers Power Company	78.01
Lansing Laundry	67.93
Brett's Printing Service	58.85
Quality Awning Shop	53.50
Capitol City Wrecking Co.	52.14
Mine Safety Appliances Co.	43.97
John Bean Division	28.52
Boichot Concrete Products Corp.	27.97
Paul Automotive, Inc.	27.56
Michigan Company	20.44
Capital Audio-Visual Aids	20.00
Central Welding Supply Co.	19.52
Consolidated Freight Co.	14.41
Homelite Corporation	12.81
Sohn Bros. Laundry	12.00
Charles H. Decker	11.51
Lansing Supply Company	9.55
General Parts & Service, Inc.	9.55
Mars Signal Light Company	9.45
Wedemeyer Electronic Supply Co.	8.79
Detroit Ball Bearing Co.	8.41
Vandervoort Hardware Co.	8.34
Fuller Brush Company	8.23
Maurice Polack, Inc.	6.66
Mill Supplies Corporation	6.47
VanCore Pest Control Service	6.00
Michigan School Services, Inc.	5.72
St. Lawrence Hospital	5.00
Parker Paint & Wall Paper Stores	4.07
Electric Products Sales Corp.	3.76

Eddy and Company	2.84
George Conn Service	2.11
Michigan Bell Telephone Co.	295.03
Ward Rainwater	250.00
Paul R. Taylor	200.00
Paul Automotive, Inc.	187.28
Goodyear Service Stores	104.04
Hurd's	96.80
Tire Recappers of Lansing	73.80
The Texas Company	70.25
Dietaphone Corporation	48.00
Carl Entenmann & Son	38.80
Wedemeyer Electronic Supply	34.17
Vandervoort Hardware Co.	33.71
American Mattress Co.	33.65
The Stover Company	32.58
Rudolf Bannasch Welding Shop	27.55
Bd. of Water & Elec. Light Com.	27.00
Lansing Camera Shop, Inc.	20.40
The Dudley Paper Company	20.21
Remington Rand, Inc.	20.00
Fyr Fyter Sales & Service	18.75
Loren Purchis	18.50
Western Union Company	16.28
Paul R. Taylor, Petty Cash	15.40
Whitmore Automotive	15.34
L. L. Henry, M.D.	15.00
Industrial Laundry	14.50
Benson Hardware Co.	13.23
The Melville Emblem Co.	13.20
Franklin DeKleine Co.	13.11
Edw. W. Sparrow Hospital	13.00
Lenz Bike Shop	11.60
H. W. Harris, M.D.	11.00
Trevellyan Oldsmobile, Inc.	7.66
Lansing Laundry	7.28
Young Bros. & Daley	4.70
Railway Express Agency	3.27
Barker-Fowler Company	2.85
Schaberg-Dietrich Hdwe. Co.	2.37

Board adjourned.

MILLIE M. BROWN,
City Clerk

September 8, 1953

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF

The Board of Police and Fire Commissioners

OF THE CITY OF LANSING

Proceedings Oct. 8, 1953

A special meeting of the board was called for Thurs., Oct. 8, 1953, at 1:30 p.m. to consider the plans submitted by the architects for the proposed No. 3 Fire Station (Sycamore and Hillsdale Streets). The meeting was called to order by the President, Com. Drolett.

ROLL CALL

Present—Coms. Beekman, Carrier, Dell, Drolett, Hunter, Teachout—6.
Absent—Coms. Mahoney, Smith—2.

Coms. Mahoney and Smith were excused from the session.

The following were present:

Ald. Hayden, Kircher, Peck and Sidwell.

Victor G. Leyrer and Sam W. Obrecht from the City Plan Commission.

Collins Thornton, City Engineer.

Mr. Carver, Architect, and Mr. Bolton, Mechanical Engineer.

Mr. Carver presented the plans.

Mr. Leyrer reported it was the consensus of the City Plan Commission that the station should have a further set-back in conformity with the other buildings in the block, and the next property to the rear should be purchased.

Mr. Collins Thornton reported that he had applied to the Board of Appeals for the necessary permit to construct No. 3 Fire

Station in accordance with the plans as submitted by the Architects.

RESOLUTIONS

By Com. Beekman—

That the proposed No. 3 Fire Station be moved back in conformity with the set-back line as recommended by the City Plan Commission.

Carried.

By Com. Teachout—

That the Board of Police and Fire Commissioners formally approve the completed plans for the No. 3 Fire Station and further, the plans be submitted to the City Council for their approval and be requested to advertise for bids on the construction of building.

Carried.

Ald. Sidwell gave a resumé on the property in the Everett District which is being considered as a site for a Fire Station.

The meeting adjourned.

MILLIE M. BROWN,
City Clerk.

October 8, 1953.

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF The Board of Police and Fire Commissioners OF THE CITY OF LANSING

Proceedings Oct. 13, 1953

October 13, 1953

The Board met in regular session and was called to order by the President, Com. Drolett.

Invocation was given by Monsignor Keating.

ROLL CALL

Present—Coms. Beekman, Carrier, Dell, Drolett, Hunter, Mahoney, Teachout—7.
Absent—Com. Smith—1.

Com. Smith was excused from the session.

Inspector Stragier, Ald. Bayles and Brooks, and Mr. Hubert Eddy were present.

The minutes of the previous session were approved as printed.

October 12, 1953.

Board of Police and Fire Commissioners

Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen:

From: The Committee on Training and Education

It has come to our attention that on the night of September 12, 1953, a serious fire occurred at 622 West Holmes Road, at the residence of Mr. Bruce Snyder. Before the arrival of the fire department, the small home was completely involved with flames and there were the three small Snyder children in the home being cared for by Carol McNatt, of 100 Mason Street, who was baby sitting at the time.

With very heroic effort and under extremely hazardous conditions, endangering her life and the lives of the three small children, Carol McNatt, with the aid of Bernard Doecker, age 14 years, of 614 West Holmes Road, effected the rescue of the children from the fire. Commanding officers

of the department have been in praise in the efforts of these two in saving the lives of the little children.

The committee recommends to the board that a citation of merit be issued to Carol McNatt and Bernard Doecker for their heroism.

Respectfully submitted,

CLAUDE I. HUNTER,
MARVIN J. BEEKMAN,
RINA M. DELL,

Committee on Education & Training.

Carol McNatt and Bernard Doecker were presented citations by Chief Decker and Com. Beekman.

Richard "Beaver" Byrd of 1114 Eureka Street was made an Honorary Member of the Fire Department and presented with a Fireman's badge, for his interest in the fire department, especially the activities of the No. 4 Fire Station. Richard was also presented a watch by Captain O'Brien and Mr. Busch of Busch Jewelers for being bat boy for the Firemen's Softball Team.

Lt. Robert Long showed a Dragnet film entitled "The Bad Cop."

COMMUNICATIONS

The following letters of commendation were received by the Police Department: D. M. Shotwell of the J. W. Knapp Company; Benn Gunner of the Chrysler Corporation; Mrs. George Helber of Toledo and Colonel P. E. Wallace of the U.S. Marine Corps.

George E. Beak, Assistant Supt., Fire Alarm Division, reported on an accident involving the cable cart attached to the rear of Alarm Truck 22 which broke loose and hit the guard rail on the S. Pennsylvania Avenue viaduct.

Received and placed on file.

Requests were made by the Policemen and Firemen, members of the Metropolitan Club, for permission to solicit advertising for their year book.

By Com. Teachout—

That permission be granted.

Carried.

September 24, 1953.

Board of Police and Fire Commissioners
Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen:

Several privately owned auxiliary fire alarm systems are connected to the City of Lansing fire alarm system.

In case of failure of one of these auxiliary systems, the fire alarm division of the Lansing Fire Department should not be held responsible. The responsibility for proper maintenance of these auxiliary systems should rest with the private concern, from the alarm box where they are connected throughout the installation.

All auxiliary systems should be inspected by the Superintendent of Fire Alarms and be approved before being connected to the city fire alarm system.

We will continue to test these auxiliary systems at the same time that our system is being tested. Any failures or poor conditions of the auxiliary systems will be reported to the owner.

Respectfully submitted,

CECIL G. HETHORN, Supt.,
Fire Alarm Division.

Referred to the Committee on Radio & Communications and Superintendent of Fire Alarm Division.

October 8, 1953.

Board of Police and Fire Commissioners
City Hall
Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen:

This is to advise that the Borseth case was argued orally in the Supreme Court this morning. The argument went off very well from our standpoint, and the members of the Court seemed to be considerably interested in the case. Regardless of the outcome, the case presented issues and questions worthy of determination by the Supreme Court. We cannot anticipate a decision, however, before about the first of the year.

Very truly yours,

PIERCE, PLANCK & RAMSEY
By: J. W. Planck.

Received and placed on file.

Captain Ward A. Rainwater filed a written report on the Lansing Pistol Team's trip to Putnamville, Indiana, on September 15-18, 1953, which placed fifth in the Grand Aggregate.

Received and placed on file.

Chief Taylor reported on an accident which involved motorcycle No. 7 which was received and placed on file.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS

Chief Taylor filed a financial statement for the month of September 1953, and gave an oral report on the meeting of the International Fire Chiefs which was held in Detroit on September 14-18, 1953.

Inspector Stragier reported on the day's meeting which he attended on September 18, 1953.

Chief Decker filed a report of the activities of the department and a financial statement for the month of September, 1953.

RESOLUTIONS

By Com. Mahoney—

That Captain Rainwater be reimbursed for the amount still due him for expenses on the Pistol Team's trip to Putnamville, Ind.

Carried.

By Com. Hunter—

That Idus Burgess be sent to Columbus, Ohio, with expenses paid out of the Educational Fund, to work with the engineers of the Seagraves Corporation on the specifications for the new fire engine.

Carried.

By Com. Teachout—

That Chief Decker be granted permission to attend the Civil Defense meeting which is to be held in Kansas City on October 30, 31 and November 1, 1953.

Carried.

By Com. Mahoney—

That the John Bean Fire Fighter be accepted and paid for when truck has met requirements of contract and is accepted by the Fire Department.

Carried.

President Drolett reported on the resolution which was adopted by the City Council on October 12, 1953, relative to signing contract with Kenneth and Lee Black, architects, for the preparation of plans for the proposed Police Building and City Hall, and asked the Building Committee to meet with the architects when so advised; also Chief Taylor and W. H. Nestle, State Inspector of Jails.

GENERAL ORDER

The following claims against the Police Department were presented and allowed by the following vote: Yeas 7, Nays 0.

Graybar Electric Company	\$350.60
Michigan Bell Telephone Co.	290.90
Paul R. Taylor	250.00
Paul R. Taylor	225.30
Lansing Speedy Auto Wash	125.00
Franklin DeKleine Co.	123.00
Wedemeyer Electronic Supply	97.25
B & W Supply Co.	97.20
The Stover Company	84.30
L. L. Henry, M.D.	83.15
General Parts & Service	78.34
Rudolf Bannasch Welding Shop	72.81
Wonch Battery Co.	56.80
Paul R. Taylor	54.68
Tire Recappers of Lansing	46.50
Safety Service Clinic	44.80
Don's Printing Service	32.80
Dart Hardware Sales	26.36
Bd. of Water & Elec. Lt. Comm.	23.51
Fyr Fyter Sales & Service	21.00
Whitmore Automotive	17.64
Benson's Hardware Co.	16.04
Industrial Laundry	14.50
Lenz Bike Shop	13.85
Schaberg Dietrich Hdwe. Co.	13.02
Duncan Lumber Company	11.52
Colt's Mfg. Co.	10.77
Carl Entenmann & Son	10.50
Nat'l Rifle Ass'n of America	10.00
Western Union Company	9.77
Emery Pratt Company	8.72
Lansing Supply Co.	8.54
Lansing Laundry	6.47
The Dudley Paper Company	5.80
Railway Express Agency	3.36
Trevellian Oldsmobile, Inc.	3.35
Paul Automotive Inc.	3.06
Hack's Key Shop	1.00

The following claims against the Fire Department were presented and allowed by the following vote: Yeas 7, Nays 0.

John Bean Division	\$8838.60
Standard Oil Company	1250.84

Graybar Electric Company	488.25
Cameron's	350.00
Bd. of Water & Elec. Lt. Comm.	291.91
Michigan Bell Telephone Co.	240.02
Mine Safety Appliances Co.	165.03
Boichot Concrete Products Corp.	152.44
Field's Radiator Shop	139.50
Michigan Brass & Electric Co.	117.05
Goodyear Service Stores	108.51
Capital Casting Company	88.00
Capitol City Wrecking Co.	85.19
George Conn Service	85.14
Parker's Paint Store	84.50
W. H. Nickel	84.50
Lansing Laundry	75.76
L. L. Henry, M.D.	76.00
Consumers Power Co.	74.75
Wonch Battery Co.	65.92
Barker Fowler Electric Co.	54.29
Addison Sponge Company	51.97
Doyle Freight Lines	50.50
Michigan School Service	45.36
Charles H. Decker	37.03
Akron Brass Mfg. Co., Inc.	35.96
Quality Awning Shop	34.00
Eddy and Company	33.06
Electric Products Sales	32.80
Michigan Company, Inc.	31.48
Filmack Corp., Chicago, Ill.	29.78
Edward W. Sparrow Hospital	29.50
Fire Engineering	28.00
Schaberg-Dietrich Hdwe. Co.	23.33
Central Welding Supply Co.	22.84
Lansing Camera Shop, Inc.	22.10
Darling Builders Supply Co.	22.05
Karl Jakovac	22.00
General Parts & Service Inc.	19.92
B & H Tailor Shop	19.55
The C. G. Braxmar Company Inc.	19.34
Martin Block Shop	18.85
Brick & Supplies Corp.	17.84
Jarvis Engineering Works	15.69
Close Sales & Service	12.94
Industrial Laundry	11.88
E & J Resuscitator Co.	11.28
Fisher-Hamilton Wallpaper Co.	10.88
Lansing Supply Co.	10.80
Dean & Harris of Lansing	10.61
Sohn Bros. Laundry	10.20
Michigan Supply Company	10.05
Fyr Fyter Sales & Service	10.00
Hilding Office Supply	9.35
Benson's Hardware Company	9.15
Gregory Mayer & Thom Co.	7.50
Safety Service Clinic	7.00
VanCore Pest Control Service	6.00
Capitol City Glass Works	5.34
Willard R. Klunzinger, M.D.	5.00
Central Garages, Inc.	4.64

Board adjourned.

MILLIE M. BROWN,
City Clerk.

October 13, 1953

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF The Board of Police and Fire Commissioners OF THE CITY OF LANSING

Proceedings Nov. 10, 1953

November 10, 1953

The Board met in regular session and was called to order by the President, Com. Drolett.

Invocation was given by Monsignor Keating.

ROLL CALL

Present—Coms. Beekman, Carrier, Dell, Drolett, Hunter, Smith, Teachout—7.
Absent—Com. Mahoney—1.

Com. Mahoney was excused from the session.

Alderman Bayles was present at the meeting.

The minutes of the previous session were approved as printed.

COMMUNICATIONS

The following letters of commendation were received by the Police Department: Hubert J. Brown, Mayor of Marshall; Paul A. Martin, Publisher of the State Journal; Jackie DeHass, of M.S.C. All-College Student Government; Kaye Eddy, student at J. W. Sexton High School; C. C. Van Etten, Secretary of The Heim Company of Fairfield, Conn.; C. W. Otto, Secretary of the Lansing Chamber of Commerce; George Gough of Sault Ste. Marie, Ont.; Richard C. Hicks, Executive Secretary of United Community Chest, which were received and placed on file.

A letter of appreciation was received from Richard H. Byrd for the honorary fireman's badge presented him at the October meeting.

Received and placed on file.

A letter of appreciation was received from Cecil G. Hethorn, Superintendent of Fire Alarm Division, for the opportunity

given him to attend the 58th Annual Convention of the International Municipal Signalmen's Association at Columbus, Ohio from October 5th to 8th., which was received and placed on file.

An expression of appreciation was received from the Police and Fire Department Representatives of the Pension Board for the cooperation extended them on the recent campaign to amend the Charter relative to pension for Policemen and Firemen.

Received and placed on file.

Chief Taylor reported on five accidents during the month which involved Police cars.

Received and placed on file.

November 9, 1953.

Board of Police and Fire Commissioners

Gentlemen:

A communication is attached from the Ammon, McBride & Moore Agency, bidding on the renewal of the fleet policy covering fire, theft and collision, one hundred dollars deductible on Police Department motor vehicles.

The quotation submitted amounting to \$1,829.93 is lower than last year's quotation in the amount of \$89.68.

The proposal is submitted to the Board for consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

PAUL TAYLOR,
Chief of Police.

By Com. Smith—

That the renewal of the fleet policy be renewed with Ammon, McBride and Moore Agency.

Carried.

November 9, 1953.

Board of Police and Fire Commissioners

Gentlemen:

Attached is check No. 66960 in the amount of \$67.68 from the Wolverine Insurance Company for damages to one of our Police cars that was involved in a traffic accident on October 10th with a car operated by Mr. Kim Sigler.

Upon acceptance of the check by the Board I will have it deposited to the credit of the automobile maintenance fund.

Respectfully submitted,

PAUL R. TAYLOR,
Chief of Police.

By Com. Smith—

That the check be accepted and deposited to the credit of the automobile maintenance fund.

Carried.

November 10, 1953.

Board of Police and Fire Commissioners

Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen:

Attached is a report from Assistant Chief Ernest Kopietz recommending that Probationary Fireman Paul Blonde's appointment as a regular member of the fire department be confirmed.

Inasmuch as Paul Blonde has satisfactorily passed a physical examination, I concur with this recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES H. DECKER,
Chief.

By Com. Carrier—

That Paul Blonde be confirmed as a regular fireman.

Carried.

November 10, 1953.

Board of Police and Fire Commissioners

Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen:

Attached is a report from Assistant Chief Ernest Kopietz recommending that Probationary Fireman Stephan Malatinsky's appointment as a regular member of the fire department be confirmed

Inasmuch as Stephan Malatinsky has satisfactorily passed a physical examination, I concur with this recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES H. DECKER,
Chief.

By Com. Carrier—

That Stephan Malatinsky be confirmed as a regular fireman.

Carried.

November 10, 1953.

Board of Police and Fire Commissioners

Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen:

Attached is a report from Assistant Chief Ernest Kopietz recommending that Probationary Fireman Joseph Nemeth's appointment as a regular member of the fire department be confirmed.

Inasmuch as Joseph Nemeth has satisfactorily passed a physical examination, I concur with this recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES H. DECKER,
Chief.

By Com. Carrier—

That Joseph Nemeth be confirmed as a regular fireman.

Carried.

November 10, 1953.

Board of Police and Fire Commissioners

Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen:

Attached is a letter from the superintendent of Fire Alarms regarding the construction of conduit and manholes for servicing the Everett District, including the Proposed Glendale Avenue Station. The Alarm Division made this installation this year to take advantage of an opportunity to use the Board of Water and Electric Light Department's trench (thereby saving at least \$5,000.00) and to furnish service to the proposed fire station so it could be put in service immediately when it is completed.

Funds for this construction were obtained from the present Alarm Division Budget, and had not been appropriated for at the start of the fiscal year. The cost of this installation was \$4,000.00.

We recommend that the Ways and Means Committee of the City Council be requested

to approve the transfer of \$4,000.00 from the Council Contingent Fund to the Alarm Division Maintenance Fund of the fire department to cover the cost of this construction.

CLAUD G. TEACHOUT,
WILLIAM J. MAHONEY,
RENO G. CARRIER,
Radio Committee.

By Com. Teachout—

That the report of the Committee be adopted and referred to the City Council for action.

Carried.

RESOLUTIONS

Com. Beekman was excused from the session at 8:00 p.m.

By Com. Smith—

That the firemen be granted permission to decorate the front of No. 1 Fire Station for the holiday season.

Carried.

By Com. Smith—

That Chief Decker be granted permission to purchase the necessary amount of liquid foam that will serve the needs of the department, together with necessary equipment for its use.

Carried.

The matter of purchasing another ambulance and inhalator equipment was referred to the Committee on Automobile and Apparatus.

REPORT OF OFFICERS

Chief Taylor filed a financial statement for the month of October, 1953 which was received and placed on file.

Chief Decker filed a report on the activities of the department and a financial statement for the month of October, 1953 which was received and placed on file.

GENERAL ORDER

The following claims against the Fire Department were presented and allowed by the following vote: Yeas 6, Nays 0.

Standard Oil Company	\$1,203.84
Bd. of Water & Elec. Lt. Comm.	512.18
Mohawk Tire Sales, Inc.	381.90
Mine Safety Appliances Co.	270.48
Mich. Bell Tele. Co.	244.95
Michigan Brass & Elec. Co.	193.40
Underwood Corporation	162.50
The Seagrave Corporation	123.20
John Bean Division	111.27
Idus Burgess	79.00
Consumers Power Co.	67.55
Lansing Laundry	59.08

Edward McCann	42.00
Fisher Hamilton Paint Co.	39.05
Lansing Camera Shop, Inc.	38.32
Quality Awning Shop	36.50
Barker-Fowler Electric Co.	32.82
General Electric Supply Co.	31.58
Lansing Supply Co.	29.27
Michigan Company, Inc.	25.84
United Office Equipment Co.	21.77
Central Welding Supply Co.	19.52
Vandervoort Hardware Co.	18.34
Charles H. Decker	17.78
L. L. Henry, M.D.	15.00
Sohn Bros. Laundry	15.00
General Parts & Service, Inc.	13.62
Edward W. Sparrow Hospital	13.00
Wonch Battery Co.	12.65
Schaberg-Dietrich Hardware	12.55
Michigan Supply Co.	11.28
Graybar Electric Company, Inc.	11.00
Brick & Supplies Corp.	9.41
Whitmore Automotive	9.00
Standard Block & Supply Co.	8.64
Jarvis Engineering Works	8.25
Paul Automotive, Inc.	7.86
Painters Supplies, Inc.	7.07
Parker Paint Stores	6.53
Maurice Polack, Inc.	6.17
VanCore Pest Control Service	6.00
Capital City Wrecking Co.	5.69
Theodore I. Bauer, M.D.	5.00
L. R. McElmurry, M.D.	5.00
Detroit Ball Bearing Co.	3.02
Blair Transit Co.	2.61
The C. G. Braxmar Co., Inc.	2.50
Overhead Door Company	2.14
Capital Water Company	2.00

The following claims against the Police Department were presented and allowed by the following vote: Yeas 6, Nays 0.

Vandervoort Hardware Co.	\$495.45
Michigan Bell Tele. Co.	288.85
Don's Printing Service	247.80
Paul R. Taylor	192.13
Trevellyan Oldsmobile, Inc.	166.29
George Warner	131.72
Goodyear Service Stores	119.85
Heath Company	87.75
General Parts & Service, Inc.	83.90
United Office Equipment Co.	64.75
Tire Recappers of Lansing	55.66
The Stover Company	47.09
Lansing Speedy Auto Wash	42.00
Colt's Manufacturing Co.	39.22
Franklin DeKleine Co.	34.13
Wonch Battery Co.	32.30
Lenz Bike Shop	29.15
Bd. of Water & Lt. Comm.	26.49
Paul R. Taylor, Petty Cash	22.74
Ward Rainwater	21.76
Schaberg Dietrich Hdwe. Co.	18.50
The Dudley Paper Co.	14.26
Motorola Commun. & Electron, Inc.	11.32
Carl Entenmann & Son	6.90
Van's Photo Service	5.56
Lansing Laundry	5.24
Western Union Company	4.50
Widemeyer Electronic Supply	3.89
Michigan Brass & Electric	2.12
Paul Automotive, Inc.	1.87

Board adjourned.

MILLIE M. BROWN,
City Clerk.

November 10, 1953.

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF The Board of Police and Fire Commissioners OF THE CITY OF LANSING

Proceedings Dec. 8, 1953

December 8, 1953

The Board met in regular session and was called to order by the President, Com. Drolett.

ROLL CALL

Present—Coms. Ames, Carrier, Dell, Drolett, Hunter, Mahoney, Rose, Smith—8.

Absent—None.

Ald. Bayles, Brooks, Lavey, and Ward were present.

The minutes of the previous session were approved as printed.

COMMUNICATIONS

The following letters of commendation were received by the Police Department: Daniel's; J. Monte Frodsham, Sales Mgr., Reo Truck Leasing, Inc.; J. I. Case Company; Athletic Director, J. W. Sexton High School; MacLean and Seaman, which were received and placed on file.

A letter from J. Edgar Hoover relative to completion of Detective Lieutenant Oris A. Montgomery's course of training of FBI National Academy, was received and placed on file.

A report from Lt. Phillip K. Alber relative to damage to No. 2 Station and No. 4 engine was received and placed on file.

Letter from City Attorney Chas. P. VanNote relative to reinstatement of patrolman James Borseth, under Veteran's Act, with the Lansing Police Department.

Referred to Committee on Men & Discipline, City Attorney, City Comptroller, and Mr. Planck.

Letter from Chief Decker relative to assistance given Standard Block and Supply Company, 4724 Aurelius Road, was received and placed on file.

Letter from Chief Taylor reporting on three property damage accidents involving police cars, was received and placed on file.

December 8, 1953.

Board of Police and Fire Commissioners
Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen:

Attached is a report from Assistant Chief Ernest Kopietz recommending that Probationary Fireman Willard Jedlicka's appointment as a regular member of the fire department be confirmed.

Inasmuch as Willard Jedlicka has satisfactorily passed a physical examination, I concur with this recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES H. DECKER,
Chief.

By Com. Carrier—

That Willard Jedlicka be confirmed as a regular fireman.

Carried.

By Com. Mahoney—

That Willard Jedlicka's salary be advanced to that of a third year fireman's pay.

Carried.

December 8, 1953.

Board of Police and Fire Commissioners

Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen;

Attached is a letter from Captain Karl G. Zipple of the Lansing Fire Department stating that in accordance with Section 403 of the City of Lansing Charter he will be automatically retired from this department December 29, 1953.

Captain Zipple was appointed to the fire department April 10, 1914, and he was promoted to Captain January 9, 1920.

The members of this department wish him many healthy and happy years ahead.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES H. DECKER,
Chief.

By Com. Carrier—

That the application of Captain Karl G. Zipple for retirement be accepted and a meritorious citation be given him.

Carried.

December 8, 1953.

Honorable Board of
Police and Fire Commissioners

Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen:

Probationary patrolman Oscar A. Watkins was appointed as a member of the Police department on November 20, 1952. He has been assigned to the communications division as a dispatcher since that time.

Attached is a report from Chief Radio Engineer Stanley Steigman, and a report on his medical examination.

Inasmuch as the reports are satisfactory, I recommend that he be confirmed as a patrolman.

Respectfully submitted,

PAUL R. TAYLOR,
Chief of Police.

By Com. Carrier—

That Oscar A. Watkins be confirmed a regular patrolman.

Carried.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS

Chief Taylor filed a financial statement for the month of November, 1953, which was received and placed on file.

Chief Decker filed a financial statement for the month of November, 1953, and reported on the injured personnel of his department, which was received and placed on file.

RESOLUTIONS

By Com. Mahoney—

That Com. Ames be appointed to fill the vacancy on Policemen and Firemen's Pension Board.

Carried.

By Com. Mahoney—

That the bids from Hager & Cove Lumber Company and Crisman Heating & Air Conditioning Company for ventilation of sleeping quarter area and kitchen range hood at No. 1 Station be referred to Committee on Property and Purchasing and Chief Decker with Power to Act.

Carried.

The following bids were opened for the old boat at the Fire Department:

G. Green	\$52.95
Robert Pangborn	25.00
B. Michels	55.00
Irving A. Noyce	60.95

Irving A. Noyce having submitted the highest bid, same was accepted and this to be credited to Fire Department Surplus Property Fund.

GENERAL ORDER

The following claims against the Police Department were presented and allowed by the following vote: Yeas 8, Nays 0.

C. R. Moore Insurance	\$1829.93
Michigan Bell Telephone Co.	286.17
Trevelyan Oldsmobile, Inc.	161.15
Barker-Fowler Company	131.98
Mohawk Tire Sales, Inc.	96.90
Wedemeyer Electronic Supply	78.36
The Texas Company	77.94
The Dudley Paper Company	76.44
The Stover Company	57.22
General Parts & Service, Inc.	55.24
Francis Printing Service, Inc.	51.75
Lansing Speedy Auto Wash	46.00
Goodyear Service Stores	43.38
Paul Automotive, Inc.	43.13
United Exterminators	40.00
Morden Oil Company	38.56
American Mattress Co.	31.50
Bd. of Water & Elec. Lt. Comm.	30.86
United Office Equipment Co.	17.15
Paul R. Taylor	16.96
Wonch Battery Co.	15.90

Lenz Bike Shop	13.20
Don's Printing Service	12.50
Lansing Laundry	10.01
Whitmore Automotive	9.67
Tire Recappers of Lansing	8.55
Franklin DeKleine Co.	7.95
Snap-On Tools	7.75
The Emery Pratt Co.	5.85
Carl Entenmann & Son	5.00
L. L. Henry, M.D.	5.00
Sears, Roebuck & Co.	4.98
Saginaw Transfer Company	3.01
Railway Express Agency	2.49
Schaberg-Dietrich Hdwe. Co.	1.35
Hickok Electrical Instr. Co.	1.00
Hack's Key Shop75

The following claims against the Fire Department were presented and allowed by the following vote: Yeas 8, Nays 0.

Michigan Brass & Elec. Co.	\$13,360.68
The Gamewell Company	1,811.35
Standard Oil Company	681.06
Bd. of Water & Elec. Lt. Comm.	624.66
Michigan Bell Telephone Co.	240.97
General Parts & Service, Inc.	130.84
Swift and Company	98.00
The Texas Company	77.94
Consumers Power Co.	76.05
Lansing Laundry	57.05
L. L. Henry, M.D.	53.00
Schaberg-Dietrich Hdwe. Co.	34.18
Lansing Supply Company	30.77

Graybar Electric Co.	29.27
Jarvis Engineering Works	27.71
West Lansing Gravel Co.	24.90
Brick & Supplies Corp.	20.83
Jacklin Steel Supply	15.85
Wonch Battery Co.	14.25
Sohn Bros. Laundry	13.80
Ansul Chemical Company	12.75
Painters Supplies, Inc.	12.74
National Fire Protection Ass'n	12.50
C. R. McCorvie, M.D.	12.00
Field's Radiator Shop	9.00
Charles H. Decker	8.65
Franklin DeKleine Co.	8.32
VanCore Pest Control Service	6.00
Barker-Fowler Electric Co.	5.32
Wedemeyer Electronic Supply Co.	4.56
Dean & Harris of Lansing	4.36
Central Welding Supply Co.	4.12
Edward W. Sparrow Hospital	4.00
E. & J Resuscitator Co.	3.70
Instructional Materials Laboratory	3.69
Fire Engineering	3.50
General Electric Supply Co.	2.94
Acme Glass Company	2.55
The Apothecary Shop	2.01

Board adjourned.

THEO FULTON,
Deputy City Clerk.

December 8, 1953.